



## Celebrity Chefs Celtic Fest

The fest rolls today from 3-8:30 p.m. We have the complete schedule inside.

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### Hancock Women's Club meets Thursday

The Hancock Women's Club will have covered-dish luncheon and cookie swap Thursday, May 9 at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Yvonne Garcia.

Members are urged to bring either a salad or sandwiches for the lunch and a dozen cookies for the swap.

This will be the last meeting until September.

### Benefit dinner, acct. for Randy Tartavouille

There will be a benefit dinner to help pay medical bills for Randy Tartavouille Saturday, May 18, 5-8 p.m. at Main Street United Methodist Church in Rebecca Hall. Cost will be \$5, and take-outs are available.

Also, there is an account set up at Hancock Bank. The number is 01 2701391.

Those who would like to deposit into the account may go to any Hancock Bank.

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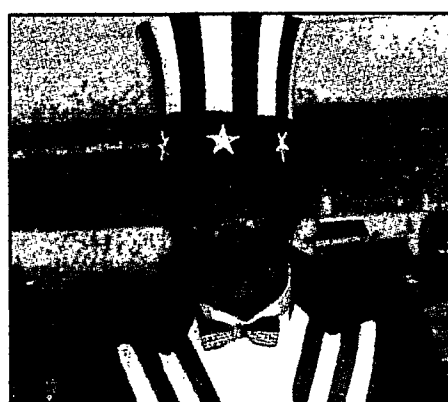
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## VOICES of hope



Uncle Sam headed up an impressive guest roster for Voices of Hope Friday night. Others included Betsy Ross, the Statue of Liberty, and Vince and Larry, the Crash Test Dummies.



The Washington St. Pier and beach parking lot is filled with dancers Friday evening as part of Voices of Hope, Peace in the World - 2002. The seventh annual event was dedicated to "the victims of 9/11 and all people and families whose lives have been affected by any kind of violence."

Hundreds lined the beach and parking lot near Washington St. Pier in Bay St. Louis Friday night for "Voices of Hope, Peace in the World - 2002," the event this year was dedicated to the September 11 tragedy and all the people whose lives have been affected by violence. Several community and peace heroes were honored, including Pam Sanfilippo; Don K. Watson; Thomas L. Carver Jr.; Gary Maurice; Theresa Beeson; Kenny Hurt; James Reeves; and Jamie A. Spinks. Other features included the Bay St. Louis Fire House, the giant NASA astronaut, the Bay St. Louis Fire Safety Pup, da Beach House drummers and the U. S. Coast Guard. All area schools were invited to participate. The night's festivities culminated with the group singing of "Let There Be Peace on Earth" by candlelight/flashlight, led by the St. Rose de Lima Gospel Choir.



The Bay St. Louis Fire Department's Safety Pup gets a hug from several of the children who turned out for Friday's event. He was there along with the city's Fire Safety House to teach kids how to react in case of a fire.

## Architect defends tree removal

Supers asked  
to re-think plan

BY ED LEPOMA  
Staff Writer

Hancock County supervisors Monday are expected to be confronted by a group of downtown business owners unhappy about plans to ax five trees around the historic courthouse and eliminate some green space for more parking.

Ellis Anderson, owner of a jewelry studio just next door to the courthouse, said she has collected signatures of about 200 persons opposing the plans, which are part of efforts years in the making to make the courthouse offices and courts accessible to the elderly and handicapped.

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## Law firm may break Little Lake impasse

BY ED LEPOMA  
Staff Writer

The Hancock County Port and Harbor Commission has hired a leading environmental law firm to outline strategy on how to proceed with the maintenance dredging of Little Lake.

The waterway at the bottom of the Pearl River

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## Proposed Casino World back in contention as new player tries to take control of board

BY ED LEPOMA  
Staff Writer

A group trying to wrest control over a proposed casino development planned south of Diamondhead presented a rather broad picture of what it envisions to a handful of shareholders and residents at an informational hearing Wednesday night.

The meeting at the Diamondhead Ramada Inn was advertised in advance, and was organized by "The

Committee of Concerned Europa Stockholders."

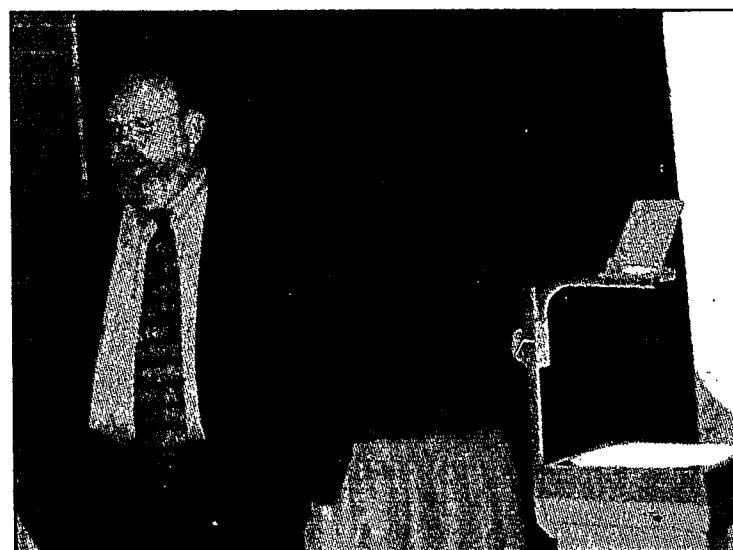
James Illius and John Duber, two members of Europa Cruises Corp. Board of Directors, have filed petitions with the Security and Exchange Commission seeking to reconstitute the board and oust current President and chief executive officer, Deborah A. Vitale. They want to replace her with James Rafferty, a former vice-president of Harvey's, who claims to

have 24 years experience in the casino business.

Vitale, board member Gregory A. Harrison and stockholder Frank E. Williams Jr., also filed a petition with the SEC seeking to oust Duber, and elect Williams to the board. They claim Duber has blocked an annual meeting of stockholders and with it, the election of a board of directors.

On Wednesday, the SEC

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James Rafferty speaks Wednesday evening to a group of Diamondhead residents and Europa Cruises Inc. investors about his bid to take control of the proposed Casino World.

## Musgrove on the Coast



Echo staff photo by Ellis C. Cuevas

### Governor signs Bill

On Friday at a packed gathering for the Prevention of Child Abuse Center in Gulfport, Gov. Ronnie Musgrove signed the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Team Bill (Senate Bill 2413). Watching Musgrove sign the bill are from left, Ashley Bertone, Casey Daniels, Taylor Ulrich, Christina Allgood, Amber Johnson and Courtney Ulrich, who also introduced the governor. "This bill is a tiny step in recognizing the significance of multidisciplinary teams and child advocacy centers," said Bridget Logan, executive director for the Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse, which includes Hancock County. The South Mississippi Child Abuse Center operates under the umbrella of the South Mississippi Exchange Club's Child Abuse Center, a Gulfport-based nonprofit human services agency.



### Governor Friday, President Monday

It was Gov. Ronnie Musgrove's congratulations on Friday and will be President George W. Bush's on Monday for Ruby Morton. Morton has been named to receive Goodwill's 2002 Industries International Achiever of the Year. Morton is Goodwill Industries of South Mississippi's receptionist and supervises the donations center's attendants. On Monday, Mrs. Morton and LeRoy Modenback, executive director of Goodwill Industries of South Mississippi, have been invited to the White House in Washington to meet with President Bush. Morton, 75, a Gulfport resident, a ten year employee, was nominated by Goodwill for the award because of her dedication to her job, family and community service. She has been blind since age 22, is the mother of eight children, 20 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

## Bay P.D. offers free bicycle safety classes

### SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

On June 8, the Bay St. Louis Police Department/Crime Prevention/Public Relations Unit will be conducting a bicycle safety class at the Hancock County Library.

The class will begin at 8 a.m. and finish at noon.

Also, anyone owning a bicycle may have it registered with the Bay St. Louis Police Department during that time and is not required to attend the class. Proof of ownership is required for registration.

The safety class and reg-

istration are free and provided by the Bay St. Louis Police Department.

The class will consist of safety tips, proper care and maintenance, Mississippi laws pertaining to pedalcyclists and statistics from the NHTSA.

"The Bay St. Louis Police Department is totally committed to serving the citizens of Bay St. Louis and protecting our children, our future. Come and join us. Let's make bicycling safe and fun," said Sgt. Richard Hanna of the Bay St. Louis Police Department.

## USMGC Civic Chorale to perform Tuesday

The University of Southern Mississippi-Gulf Coast Civic Chorale will perform "The Spirit of Nationalism" May 7 at the USM Gulf Park Campus in Long Beach.

The performance is set

for 8 p.m. at the Gulf Park Conference Center Auditorium. It is free and open to the public.

For information, call the USMGC Division of Arts and Sciences at (228) 865-4511.

## HNC Class of '82 reunion

HNC Class of '82 will hold its 20-year class reunion Saturday evening, July 29.

All classmates are

encouraged to attend.

For information, call Don Necaice at 228-255-9654 or log on to classmates.com.

## Hancock Little League opening day

Hancock County Little League-Girls Fastpitch Softball at Lakeshore Field will hold opening day ceremonies Saturday May 11 beginning at 10 a.m.

The opening day theme will be "Honoring Hometown Heroes," a Little League initiative aimed at dedicating a special day to those who freely risk their lives every day as part of their jobs and to thank them for their sacrifice.

Each player will receive a special patch distributed by Little League Baseball, Inc. to honor the event and wear proudly on her uniform this upcoming season.

Honorees from local police and fire departments and the medical field and military have been invited to attend. Each will receive a special certificate acknowledging our commu-

nity appreciation to those who go to work daily with the knowledge that they may called upon at any time to risk their lives for others.

The ceremony will highlight the Little League motto: character, courage and loyalty, and the belief that molding our children into superior citizens is far more important than superior athletes.

National Anthem festivities will be hosted by Patriotic Productions of Slidell, a sports production company with personnel experienced in field presentations for many major national sporting events including several Super Bowls.

The company promises a heart-warming event that will include player participation from the league.

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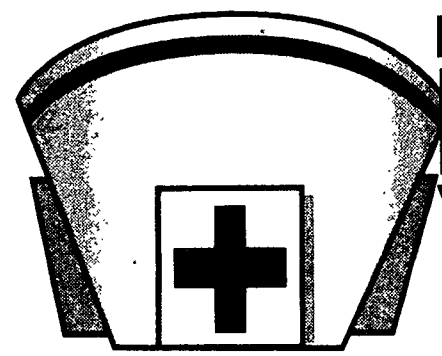
becoming a volunteer, contact Frank Yanok at 467-4220 or Herb Sires at 467-1291.

The league will hold a rummage sale Saturday, May 18 from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. and has collected many items from among league participants and other friends.

If you would like to make a donation, call Walter Gagnon at 467-6598 or Wayne Keeton at 467-7418.

The league will also hold a benefit at Lakeshore VFW 4808 on Saturday, June 8 beginning at 10 a.m. There will be dinners available to dine in or delivered, as well as live bands, a turkey shoot, auction and several raffles and promises a good time to all who attend.

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## Bacon your pardon ...



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Hancock Medical Center Administrator Hal Leftwich, left, co-winner of HMC's 'Kiss the Pig' contest, moves in for a kiss while the pig is held by Karen Ladner, HMC accounts payable clerk, who supplied the swine.



HMC Financial Officer Brandon Slocum tied Leftwich in the financial voting by hospital employees, gives the pig his kiss Friday morning. Other contestants were Hank Wheeler, Angle Gambino and Susan Stevens. Courtney Thomas, captain of HMC's Relay for Life team, reported some \$659 was raised in the contest at the hospital for the American Cancer Society's fund raiser. The Relay for Life is to be held at the Walking Track in front of Hancock Medical Center Friday, May 10, from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m.

## Second Saturday Artwalk is May 11

May 11 from 5 to 8 p.m. Bay St. Louis will celebrate Second Saturday with live music, artists' openings at the galleries, refreshments offered at many of the businesses and folks strolling the streets. Most shops and galleries are open all day, but the special events happen from 5 to 8.

### "HOT SPOTS"

#### BAY CRAFTS

**107 North Beach Blvd.**  
Joseph Derr is a self-taught artist, born in Reading, Pa., now a resident of Bay St. Louis. He has worked in media including oils, bronze, wood, ceramics and also constructions made from household utensils.

Derr's work has been exhibited in galleries nationwide in cities such as New York, Philadelphia, LaHanna (Hawaii), Key West, Miami and also in Bermuda and Acapulco. His sculptures are in collections worldwide.

Depending on his latest inspiration the final outcome can be a single figure, dancing couples or figures placed in mini-settings of different themes.

Working from a preconceived idea, Derr builds the sculptures from 75 or more parts that are nailed, glued and doweled together.

He then primes and paints the wood in polychromes of vivid colors. The active brush strokes he uses bring life to the figure, and from the raw materials comes an image with a strong presence.

These light-hearted abstract figures have primitive qualities lined with an element of sophistication. A viewer in search of escape into a playful imaginary world will find these sculptures captivating.

**PAPER MOON**  
220 Main Street

Reception 6:30 to 8:30. Mixed media artists use the medium of Art Stamps to create original works of art, journals, albums and cards at "Paper Moon" for May's Second Saturday.

Featured artists Susie Ranager, Michelle Kolf and Vicki Niolet will showcase works using images derived from rubber art stamps on textured and handmade papers and with paints, pigments, found objects and tin containers.

Susie Ranager, from Ocean Springs manipulates images with metallic accents, Xeroxed copies and paint to create mixed media works.

Bay St. Louis artist Michelle Kolf uses stamped, layered and embossed collage elements with fabric and tin boxes to create unique photo albums and container art.

Collage artist Vicki Niolet embellishes handmade paper with stamped images and found objects in cards, journals and mixes media constructions.

The rubber stamp evolved from a simple time-saving tool into a legitimate art form with serious advocates. With such artists as Nick Bantok (of Griffin and Sabine fame) making his symbols and characters available in stamps and reproducing rich colors in inks, every artist has access to a new world of inspiration.

Rubber stamping has become so popular in the last decade that there is a whole subculture of stampers that range from hobbyists and scrapbookers to professional graphic artists, painters and collage artists.

Different genres of art revolve around the stamping community: "Mall Art" and "Tag Art" are two popular categories in which artists create unique mal-

leable designs and graphics. The show will continue through June 1.

**THE BUNGALOW,**  
136 Main Street

One hundred years ago the Bungalow was home to a family - it still is - only now the family is one of artists and folks who have an appreciation of artwork and beautiful gifts and collectibles.

In this unique shop you will find American collectibles, estate linens, gift items and lots of locally created stained glass, pottery, Mardi Gras masks, watercolor paintings and quilts.

Some of the local artists at the Bungalow include Richie Zitzmann, Judith Anton, Sory Yager, Kathi Calhoun, Brian Nettles, Yvonne Brown, Zoe Bowers and Sharon Lutz.

PEOPLES BANK will sponsor the music - Bobby Allison playing in the 100 block of Main Street.

For information, call Richie Zitzmann, chairman, at 228-467-6870.

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## Hancock North Central Kindergarten roundup

Hancock North Central Elementary is searching for 'Little Hawks' for Kindergarten registration Friday, May 10, 8 a.m.-noon.

Students must be age 5 on or before Sept. 1.

To register, bring a certified copy of birth certificate, Social Security number, two proofs of residency (utility bills, homestead exemption/rental agreement) and compliance (shot) form.

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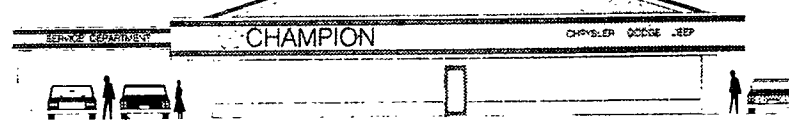
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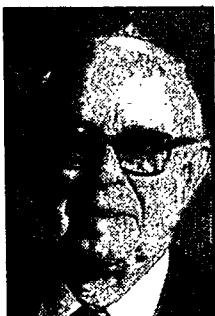
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# OPINION

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## Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas  
Publisher Emeritus

The 4th annual Our Lady Academy and Bay Catholic Celebrity Chefs Celtic Fest will be from 3 to 8:30 p.m. today.

Some 17 chefs from area restaurants will compete for two top culinary awards, People's Choice and Critic's Choice.

There will be food tasting, live entertainment, a silent and live auction and raffle. Food tasting will be from 5 to 7 p.m.

The fest will be held in the OLG Community Center, 228 S. Beach Boulevard, Bay St. Louis.

Tickets will be available at the door.

There will be a great time and lots of very, very good food at the Celtic Fest.

This afternoon, 1:30 to 5, marks the Pass Christian Historical Society's 26th annual Tour of Homes and Tea.

There are six homes on the tour, and tickets are \$10 adults, \$8 12 and under.

The places on the tour range in construction period from 1870 to 1923, including 611 St. Louis, A.B. Freeman Cabin, ca. 1923; 136 W. Scenic Drive, Lota Gibson and Tony Andreano, 1923; 203 East Scenic, Historical Society Building, ca. 1905; "Kiakadee," 127 Seal Avenue, Julian K. Byrne, III, ca. 1900; 722 E. Second Street, Dr. and Mrs. David Roberts, 1921; and 1001 E. Beach (Highway 90), Mrs. Robert V. Gildersleve, 1870.

Tickets are on sale at each of the homes. The Roberts' residence is only from 3 to 5 p.m.

Pass Christian is one of the older cities along the Mississippi Gulf Coast and has lots of history being a Choctaw Indian trail.

Even following the ravages of the 1915 and 1947 hurricanes in addition to 1969 Hurricane Camille, Pass Christian still holds the distinction of being the largest architecturally intact major 19th century resort area in the South.

This is a major fund raiser for the Pass Christian

Historical Society which is really moving forward in preserving the history of the community.

We hope to see you at the Tour and Tea this afternoon.

American Cancer Society's Relay for Life in Hancock County is set for Friday, May 10, 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. at the Hancock County Walking Track in front of Hancock Medical Center.

Relay for Life teams are busy collecting sponsors for their walks and hoping the will receive much support.

Cancer is still one of the most dreaded words a person wants to hear from a doctor, and the American Cancer Society is doing its best researching a cure for the disease.

Relay for Life is really a serious fund raiser for the Cancer Society, and at the same time a fun time for the participants as they compete for several prizes.

I know that the Bay St. Louis Rotary Club is among the organizations with a team this year, and Rotarians have been working hard for this great cause. A certain member, who practices dentistry, I did even recognize at Rotary on Wednesday in his planned 'outfit' for the night.

The Walking Track is really an ideal place to hold such and event, as it involves folks walking throughout the 12 hours.

One of the highlights of the evening is the Luminary Ceremony when candles in bags will line the Walking Track honoring loved ones who have survived or lost their battle to cancer.

Luminaries can be purchased for \$10 each, and this is really a great ceremony seeing all the lights around the track.

I hope that Relay for Life teams receive a lot of support from the community.

Cancer survivors will receive special recognition during the evening.

So, do not forget to visit the Relay for Life Friday night.

## John C. Stennis: Father of the Modern Navy

My predecessor in the Senate, the late John C. Stennis, is often called the "Father of the Modern Navy" - largely because of his steadfast support of large nuclear aircraft carriers.

Back then, there were many critics of carrier building. After all, constructing these ships was certainly costly. However, today few people question America's investment in carriers, or Senator Stennis' visionary support of them. U.S. carriers have protected America throughout the

world time and time again, paying dividends which far exceed their costs.

Today, America faces a similar choice about shipbuilding - and again this decision involves a carrier.

Recently I was very pleased to help secure \$1.3 billion to construct LHD-8 at Mississippi's largest private employer, Northrop Grumman Ingalls Shipbuilding.

Like the ships Senator Stennis advocated, LHD-8 is also a type of carrier, albeit a little smaller vessel than our large carriers constructed in Norfolk, Va. - one of which fittingly bears Senator Stennis' name.

However, the overall goal of LHD-8 is the same - to give our military an unmatched ability to project power forward. The ship is part of a new class of amphibious assault carriers which will be used by the U.S. Marines, and to an extent by the Navy and U.S. Special Forces as well.

The LHD enables our military to advance rapidly from the sea utilizing helicopters and fixed-wing aircraft, vehicles and personnel which can all be carried across the globe in this type of vessel. In essence, they are carriers used primarily by the Marines for their

core mobile mission.

Prior to the September 11 terrorist attacks, many folks in Washington were saying our military does not need LHD-8 - a criticism not unlike that which Senator Stennis and other carrier advocates faced decades ago.

Prior to the terrorist attacks, it didn't seem to bother the critics of LHD-8 that they were going directly against the professional advice of two consecutive Marine Corps Commandants.

These seasoned soldiers made it clear that the Corps needed this vessel in support of an overall effort to replace the Marines aging

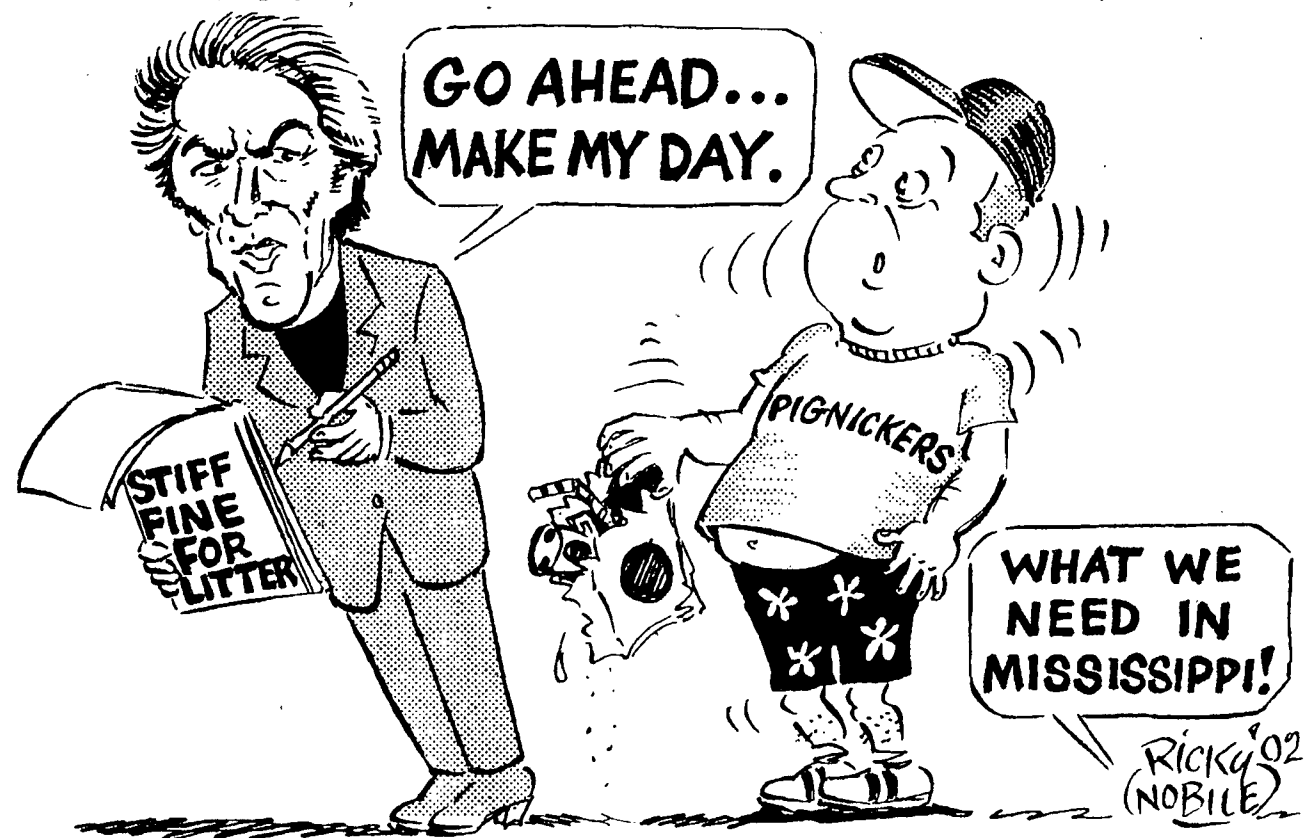
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### From the Senate

By U.S. Sen. Trent Lott

## THE GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA APPOINTED CLINT EASTWOOD TO THE STATE PARK COMMISSION...



## Hancock County Courthouse renovations are necessary

To the Editor:

In response to several recent letters addressing the courthouse landscaping plans, I would like to help answer some questions with regard to the extent of and reason for the removal of several trees from the courthouse grounds.

First an inspection of the Main Street entrance reveals three existing trees (one each Water Oak, Live Oak and Southern Yew) located within two feet of the entrance. These trees have caused damage to the foundation and steps and, if left alone, will continue to cause damage to the structure.

The location does not allow for the trees to fully develop, and the asymmetrical root structure will not support the tree in a major weather event.

For these reasons we have recommend their removal. New oaks will be planted as part of a new landscape plan in locations that will allow full development of the tree and avoid any damage to the building.

Second is the matter of removing several trees along Gex and Cue streets. Two mature Sycamores located at the east and west sides of the courthouse have been found to be diseased, show signs of advanced rot and infestation.

Once again, in the event of a major weather event, the possibility exists for limbs or the entire tree to

fall. In the interest of avoiding damage to adjacent structures as well as providing much-needed additional angled parking, we have recommended that these two trees be removed and replaced with other appropriate tree specimens in alternate locations.

One magnolia tree located at the corner of Gex and Main streets will remain and result in two fewer parking spaces, a small price to pay to retain this well-developed tree.

The new landscape plan calls for the addition of the following species: Live Oaks (2), Magnolia (1), Crepe Myrtles (2), Sweet Olive (2), and Chinese Pistache (1) as well as many Azaleas, Indian Hawthorns and Dwarf Yaupons.

Some of the existing shrubs will be conserved and replanted at the Hancock County Civic Center rather than being destroyed.

The long-term goal can be achieved by implementing this plan along with a long-term maintenance program. Perhaps cooperation between both county staff and private sector organizations will result in the courthouse grounds being a well-maintained green space that will be a source of local pride for many years to come.

Sincerely,  
Edward H. Wikoff, AIA  
Architect  
Bay St. Louis

## Letters to the Editor

### Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.

## Tree preservation is fine, but leave parking plan alone

To the Editor:

You're not likely to find us standing around hugging trees, but we do support tree-planting and tree preservation.

Unfortunately, we can no longer take advantage of the annual tree giveaway; we have no room for more in our yard. Still, we recognize that sometimes trees do deteriorate and planted too close to structures, can cause problems. Not every tree is worth saving.

The Hancock Board of Supervisors has struggled for years to update the courthouse to comply with ADA requirements and to make the courthouse more accessible, not only to their handicapped constituents, but also to our aging population.

Thankfully, board members decided not to try to move the county seat away from downtown Bay St. Louis, which would have been devastating for many

of the downtown business owners. Many of whom, by the way, have complained that customers who can't find parking spots nearby simply bypass them and go elsewhere.

The installation of an elevator in the courthouse will make attendance at board meetings and court proceedings much easier for many residents.

Additional parking is a common-sense complement to that plan.

The parking plan will involve the loss of only 10 feet of green space on each side of the courthouse. We will still have a spacious lawn along the front and sides.

And the 10-foot-tall new trees that will be planted there will be a lovely enhancement that will make the courthouse a source of pride for generations to come.

Nan and Dick Ehrbright  
Waveland

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## Technically speaking ...



Numerous sixth grade students look on as Vo-Tech Lodging & Hospitality Instructor **Charlie Labat** explains information about student projects in event planning on display at the Vo-Tech Center.

### HMS 6th grade visits Vo-Tech Center

March 27, Hancock Middle School sixth grade students visited the Hancock County Vo-Tech Center to learn about current course offerings and expand their knowledge of careers and career opportunities through the hands-on learning at the Vo-Tech Center.

The tour, made possible through the district's

School-to-Careers grant, allowed students to visit four classrooms in a specific cluster area.

The three areas included:

Cluster I - Business & Computer Technology, Technology Applications, Drafting, and Health; Cluster II - Child Care, Food Service, Lodging & Hospitality, and

Cooperative Education; Cluster III - Auto Mechanics, Building Trades, Metal Trades, and Welding.

The sixth grade students will tour the Vo-Tech Center again during their freshman year of high school to determine if available course offerings will be taken during the junior and senior years.

## American Legion unites nation on Armed Forces Day through E-cards

As the war on terrorism continues, The American Legion is connecting citizens to their friends and family members with an Armed Forces Day E-card.

Armed Forces Day (May 18) was established through the Department of Defense in 1949 to unite citizens and military members in support of our country.

With members of the military involved in the war on terrorism, now is the time to carry on the tradition and say "thank you" to them.

That is why The

American Legion has created a special card that can be sent to military members via e-mail.

A visit to The American Legion's web site - [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org) - is the first step. You must know the service person's e-mail address to send the cards.

Just click on the e-card link from the front page, fill in the e-mail information, select the appropriate branch of service song, type your message, click on "Send" and the card is on its way to the recipient. This

service is free of charge.

Let the men and women of the armed forces know that you care and appreciate their service to our country. Let Americans unite and celebrate the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard together by sending these members an e-card. The American Legion is the nation's largest veterans' organization and dedicated to those who serve. The e-card service is available now through Armed Forces Day weekend.

## Hancock Welcome Center celebrates National Tourism Week, today-Friday

Hancock County Welcome Center, I-10 and Hwy. 607, Pearlington, will join the nation in celebrating National Tourism Week May 5-10.

Events include:

May 5: There will be a

display at antique cars from the Misfits Antique Car Club beginning at 10:30 a.m.

May 8: Come out and dazzle yourself as the Gulf Coast businesses join in National Tourism Week.

May 9: Enjoy the samplings of Hancock County entertainment and cuisine.

May 10: Explore the uniqueness of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program as they express their talents through arts and crafts.

## Lott

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fleet of amphibious carriers, and to maintain our nation's ability to project military power.

However, with our armed forces now engaged in a global War on Terror, the critical voices have considerably subsided. The American people understand that providing our military with the best in times of war is not an option, but a required payment on our freedom.

Projects like LHD-8 could become as important to America's defense in the future as our large carriers have proven to be. Fighting the current War on Terror is showing that 21st century threats may require a more mobile and much more lethal force - just like that for which LHD-8 and the other amphibious Marine Corps carriers are built.

I am also actively supporting other shipbuilding construction projects such as LHD-9 and LHD-10, which will follow LHD-8 at Ingalls.

Senator Cochran and I have written the Senate Armed Services Committee Chairman requesting a \$3.5 billion increase for shipbuilding next year.

Procurement rates for new ships have run at roughly half that required to sustain a minimum force of 300 ships. Without increases, projections show our Navy could shrink to just 150 ships - far short of the 600 ship Navy advocated in Senator Stennis' time.

Throughout history, people have erroneously predicted the demise of sea power as a deterrent, only to see our Navy evolve and take on new missions.

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No other nation has this much ability to protect its

citizens and its interests abroad, but we must constantly work to maintain this strength.

Senator Stennis recognized the value of a healthy shipbuilding program, particularly the value of carriers. If he were here today, witnessing the events of September 11 and the War on Terror, I believe the Father of the Modern Navy would be glad to see Mississippians building America's newest carriers.

Senator Lott welcomes any questions or comments about this column. Write to: U.S. Senator Trent Lott, Washington, D.C. 20510 (Attn: Press Office)

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## Lake -- law firm

Basin in St. Tammany Parish is crucial to continued operations at the Port Bienville Industrial Park and the Stennis Space Center.

The commission has spent more than three years and \$50,000 in efforts to resolve concerns raised by environmentalist groups, and obtained a water certificate permit from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality.

However, a state judge in Baton Rouge recently voided the certificate, and sent the issue back for consideration by LDEQ.

At its April 25 recessed

meeting, the Port and Harbor Commission agreed to hire the firm of McGlinchy Stafford for a maximum of \$20,000 to develop a strategy and action plan. The law firm, with offices in Jackson and Baton Rouge, has extensive experience in environmental matters, according to Jerry Hemphill, the Port Commission project manager who has championed the Little Lake project over the years.

"It's time to take the gloves off," said Hemphill.

Hemphill said the LDEQ might appeal the court ruling and the Port

Commission might join the appeal "as a friend of the court."

If LDEQ does not appeal, Hemphill said the law firm will advise the Port Commission on whether to proceed in Louisiana court or in a federal court.

Hemphill said the law firm will report to the commission at its meeting on May 13.

Hemphill said the firm will also ask the judge to elaborate on reasons for his ruling.

The commission wants to dredge up about 185,000 cubic yards of waterbottom sediment and dispose the

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spoils at sites already approved by LDEQ. A 200-foot-wide area of the waterway between East Pass and Hog Island would be deepened to 15 feet for one mile.

Extensive testing barely detected any levels of mercury or other toxins that would be dredged up, but New Orleans-based environmental groups gained the stay by filing an appeal in the 19th Judicial Court in East Baton Rouge.

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### Science Fair winners

East Hancock Elementary students earned top awards at the Regional Science Fair. Public and private schools sent over 1,000 students to the event in Biloxi recently. Students were grouped by age and science project content. Judges spent all day interviewing the students about their projects. The winners were announced in a ceremony following the judging. Pictured with their awards are Ryan Dodd, second place; Jamie Jelinski, first place; Kristina Wheat, second place; Christopher Fralick, second place; Joshua Robberson, honorable mention; Camille Swanson, first place and Special Recognition Trophy; Alex Donaldson, first place; Landon Williams, honorable mention; and Amanda Giampaolo, first place.

## Angel Woodmansee is winner in RIF national poster contest

### SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Angel Woodmansee, 7, a student at Waveland Elementary has been named one of 50 honorable mention winners in the annual 2002 RIF (Reading Is Fundamental) National Poster Contest, a reading-motivation competition developed by RIF, the nation's oldest and largest national children's literacy organization.

Angel created a poster that was selected as one of the 53 best out of the more than 500 national entries and 80,000 competitors in local contests conducted by RIF sites nationwide.

"This poster contest provides a unique outlet for children to express their love of books and reading for fun," said RIF president and CEO Carol H. Rasco. "My sincere congratulations go to Angel and to the families, teachers and RIF volunteers who contribute every day to the education and achievements of the children of Mississippi."

In February, nine independent judges chose 50 honorable mention winners, one national contest winner and two runners-up.

All 53 posters will be displayed this summer at the Capital Children's Museum

in Washington, D.C. as part of an exhibit on children's reading and books.

Winning posters also were displayed at the National Museum of Natural History during the May 9 ceremony honoring the national winner, who will represent all of the poster contest participants and the children RIF serves nationwide.

As an honorable mention winner, Angel Woodmansee will receive a certificate of honor and a gift certificate to purchase books. Angel's RIF site will also receive a gift certificate to purchase books.

## Hancock Library Story hours announced

"Gone to the Beach" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library on Wednesday, May 8, at 10:30 a.m.

"Happy Mother's Day" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Kiln Public Library on Thursday, May 9, at 10:30 a.m.

*The Mother's Day Mice.*

*On Mother's Lap* and *Happy Mother's Day* are the books to be read during the hour. Children will make their own windcatcher and receive a color sheet.

Weekly story hours are held September through May. Programs last approximately one-half hour, depending upon subject matter and planned activi-

ty. Programs and activities are designed for pre-school age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.

For individual branch story hour information, contact Adrienne Bradley, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library, 467-5282; or Sandra Ladner, Kiln Public Library, 255-1724.

## Great Books group meets Wednesday

The next Great Books discussion group meeting will be Wednesday, May 8, at 7 p.m. in the Seal Meeting Room of the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library.

The group is currently studying the volume, *The Art of the Story*.

The readings for this session will be *Ys: Life and Adventures of Ys: Number XII* by Victor Pelevin and *Talking Dog* by Francine Prose.

Sponsored by the Hancock County Library System, the discussion group began in March, 1990. Since that time, mem-

bers have read more than 345 titles and they have completed 110 readings from great books.

The group meets every other Wednesday at 7 p.m. Anyone is welcome to

attend the meetings. The only requirement is that you read the selection before the meeting.

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ruled it would allow a survey of the investors who own a share of more than 32 million in outstanding stock.

Whichever side receives 17 million in pledged stock will win control of Europa and elect a new board of directors.

A crowd of no more than 50 came to the informational meeting at the Ramada Wednesday night, and Illius made brief comments before introducing Rafferty. Duber was not present. No elected official of Hancock County attended the meeting.

Rafferty told the audience he had surveyed the 404-plus acres Europa owns off the south exit of Diamondhead, where it proposes to build the Casino World project.

"It's a great piece of property," he said.

Rafferty explained the proxy process and what was needed to reconstitute a new board of directors. When he asked shareholders in the room for a show of hands, about five hands went up.

He then ticked off a list of positions he had formerly held at casinos in New Jersey, at the Hard Rock Café in Las Vegas and at Harvey's Casino in Iowa. The majority of his experience was dealing with personnel, he said.

He charged Vitale has made decisions without involving shareholders or Diamondhead residents, who would be most affected by a casino.

Rafferty said the group wanting to unseat Vitale "wants to involve the community, and its philosophy would be one of 'inclusion, rather than exclusion.'"

Rafferty told the audience he and those supporting him envision a smaller casino than what is proposed by Vitale -- a casino that caters to the local com-

munity and also attracts visitors from states bordering Mississippi.

Vitale has proposed a theme-type casino resort destination with a hotel, an RV Park, a golf course and an entertainment complex to complement the casino barges.

Rafferty said the casino he envisioned "would not be a Beau Rivage or a Copa." It would be something in between, he said. He envisioned a casino of about 60,000 square feet with about 1,200 slot machines. He said competing against the Beau Rivage would be "marketing suicide," and he claimed the current Europa leadership could not obtain financing for a large-scale development.

Rafferty said his backers would hire a firm with an international casino reputation to market and promote the casino. He said his backers had the ability to obtain financing in today's economic times.

Ignoring the years of court battles Europa has fought with citizens groups and environmentalists opposing any kind of casino on the north Bay of St. Louis, Rafferty blamed Vitale for "a quagmire of legal problems" dating back to 1993.

Several members of the audience asked Rafferty if he could be more specific about the casino plans, but he and Illius said, if they are successful in ousting the current board, a more detailed master plan would be developed for the property.

Illius was asked his relationship to Rafferty. He said he met Rafferty's father, who is in the entertainment business, and Rafferty's father suggested his son take over the company. In response to another question, Illius denied Rafferty was on his payroll.

Rafferty said he had no money invested in Europa stock, but would make "a sizeable investment, when I get control."

Rafferty said he had not met any member of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, the Mississippi Gaming Commission or the state Commission on Marine Resources.

Rafferty was also asked whether Vitale offered to put him on the board of directors, and he said the offer was made, but he declined to go into detail on why he rejected the offer.

Vitale has accused Duber and Illius of blocking her attempts to complete an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) needed in order to proceed with construction of the casino.

Illius did not deny the charge, but said he and others feel a master plan should be developed before an EIS.

Rafferty was asked who would bear the estimated cost of between \$300,000 and \$400,000 for the proxy solicitation. He said he and his supporters would bear the expense. However, in their filing with the SEC, it was noted the cost of the solicitation would be passed on to shareholders.

In the SEC filing of April 17, Duber also admitted he was a vice president in name only. It said, "Duber was elected vice president and assistant Secretary in February of 1998, but collects no salary and is no longer functioning as an officer or employee of Europa."

Two out-of-town investors who said together they own more than two million shares of Europa stock talked with the Echo before the meeting, but did not want their names released.

They said they wanted to hear the presentation, but it

would take a lot to convince them to change manage-

ment at this time. They said they also agreed to talk

with Illius and Rafferty in a private meeting on Friday.

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## Trees

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Anderson said the petition will ask supervisors to spare the trees and look at renting parking spaces elsewhere for the convenience of persons having business at the courthouse or at other county offices across Main Street.

Anticipating a battle, Ed Wikoff, the lead architect for Compton Engineering, which designed the courthouse renovation and steered its approval through state and federal agencies, sent a letter to the Echo this week explaining the reasoning behind the final plans already approved by the Board of Supervisors.

Last October, Compton hired a consulting arborist, Thomas Gilbert, to inspect and evaluate all trees of the courthouse grounds.

"An inspection of the Main Street entrance reveals three existing trees (one each Water Oak, Live Oak and Southern Yew) located within two feet of the entrance...have caused damage to the foundation and steps," Wikoff wrote.

If left alone in their present state, the arborist said the trees will continue to cause damage to the structure.

Wikoff points out in the letter the arborist concluded the location of the trees do not allow for them to fully develop and their root structures would not support them in a hurricane or major weather threat.

"For these reasons, we have recommended their

removal," Wikoff explained. He said plans call for planting new oaks as part of a new landscape plan that will allow full development of the trees without causing damage to the courthouse.

Wikoff also addressed plans to remove trees along Gex and Cue Streets. "Two mature Sycamores located at the east and wide sides of the courthouse have been found to be diseased, show signs of advanced rot and infestation," he wrote. In the event of a major storm, Wikoff said the possibility exists some limbs or the entire trees might fall. He said the removed trees would be replaced with other appropriate specimens in alternate locations.

"One Magnolia tree located at the corner of Gex and Main Street will remain, and result in two fewer parking spaces, a small price to pay to retain this well developed tree," Wikoff wrote.

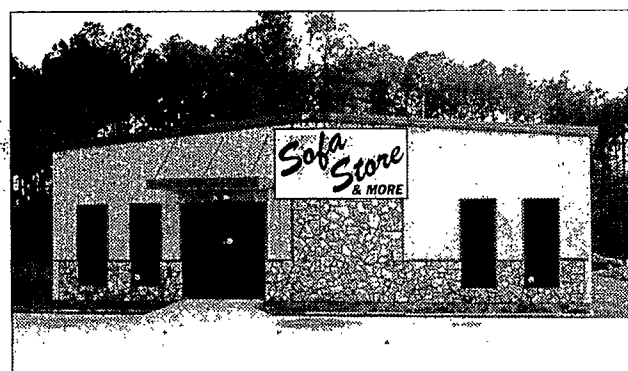
He said the new landscape plans call for the addition of two live oaks, one Magnolia, two Crepe Myrtle's, two Sweet Olive trees; and one Chinese Pistache, as well as Azaleas, Indian Hawthorns and Dwarf Yupons.

"Some of the existing shrubs will be conserved and replanted at the Hancock County Civic Center rather than being destroyed," Wikoff wrote.

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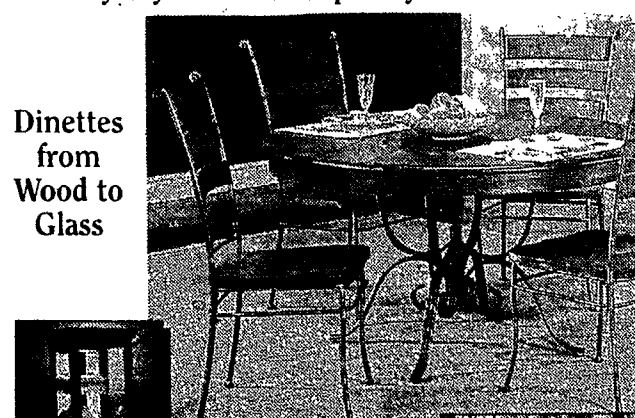
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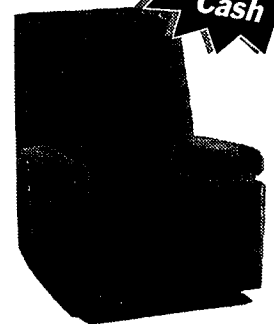
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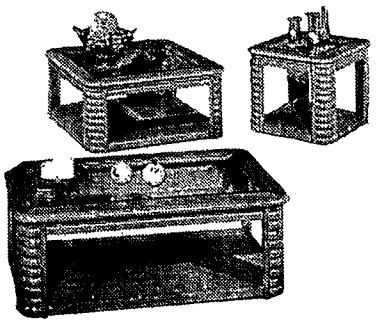
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**AUDREY ELROD**  
 Audrey Elsie Farve Elrod, 74 of Bay St. Louis, died Friday, May 3, 2002, in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home, Bay St. Louis, MS.

**FAYE EVERS**  
 Faye Eleanor Diamond Evers, 70, died May 1, 2002, in New Orleans.

Born in Gulfport, Mrs. Evers attended Woolmarket High School and Perkinson Junior College and studied art in London, England and Washington, D.C.

She and Harry Owen Evers were married June 11, 1954. After many years in the Air Force, they settled in Pass Christian and then moved to Gulf Breeze, Fla. in 2001.

Mrs. Evers was an artist. Her oil paintings are included in some of the most prominent collections in the United States. She served as president and member of the executive board of the Gulf Coast Symphony Guild, the Gulf Coast Opera Guild and the Friends of the Saenger Theatre of Biloxi. She also served as president of the Beach Garden Society.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James Walter and Eula Diamond.

Survivors include her husband, Harry; daughters Kelly Strozier (Victor) and Kim Evers of Gulf Breeze, Fla., and son Scott of Merritt Island, Fla.; and five grandchildren.

There will be a private memorial service.

The family prefers donations to the Faye Evers Memorial Art Scholarship fund at any South-Trust Bank.

**JOHN LOAR**  
 John Loar, 46, of Kiln, died Thursday, May 2, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

He was a native of New Orleans, LA, and a resident of Kiln for the past 10 years. He was of the Catholic faith.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George Edward and Gursay Raffary Loar, Sr.; and one brother, George E. Loar, Jr.

Survivors include: his wife, Cynthia Savant Loar of Kiln; a daughter, Dawn

Ditcharo of Kiln; a brother, Kenneth J. Loar of New Orleans; two sisters, Pearl M. Conrad of Picayune, MS., and Margie Wesner of New Orleans; and two grandchildren.

A visitation was held Saturday, May 4, and a Prayer Service in the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home Chapel, Bay St. Louis. Interment followed in the Alphonse Malley Cemetery, Kiln, MS.

Edmond Fahey Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

**VERNON PETERSON**  
 Vernon Joseph "Joe Pete" Peterson, 67, of Dedeaux, died Tuesday, April 30, 2002, in Hattiesburg.

Mr. Peterson was a lifelong resident of Dedeaux and was employed at Ingalls Shipyard as a mechanic and sheet metal worker until his retirement. He was a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Dedeaux.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Sullivan and Mary Panola Ladner Peterson; two brothers, Ervin Peterson and Houston Peterson; and a sister, Nolana Peterson.

Survivors include five sons, Dale Peterson of Lizana, Kelvin Peterson of Poplarville, Randy Peterson of Dedeaux, Joey Peterson of California and Larry Ashley of Augusta, Ga.; four daughters, Vickie Hariel and Donna Gayle Peterson, both of Poplarville, Tammy Peterson of Perkinson and Melissa Waller of Land-O-Lakes, Fla.; two brothers, Vernon Peterson of Lyman and Provis Peterson of Dedeaux; three sisters, Betty Necaise of Rocky Hill, Helen Necaise of Dedeaux, and Jewel Perronne of Long Beach; 18 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Thursday evening at Steep Hollow Baptist Church in Poplarville. Services were conducted Friday at the church followed by burial in Alphonse Malley/Fenton Sand Hill Cemetery.

Riemann Memorial Funeral Home in Gulfport was in charge of arrangements.

The family prefers memorials to Save A Life Pregnancy Crisis Center, Picayune.

**KATIE POTTER**  
 Katie Potter, 88, of Bay St. Louis, died Thursday, May 2, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incom-

plete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

**MARY CLARE SKAGGS**  
 Mary Clare Case Skaggs, 68, died Thursday, April 25, 2002, in Slidell.

Mrs. Skaggs was a member of the Diamondhead Women's Golf Association, Diamondhead Community Church and Philanthropic Organization and was a teacher.

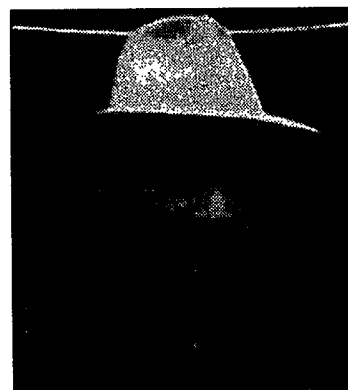
She was preceded in death by her parents, Isaac and Lucille Case; and a brother, Robert W. Case.

Survivors include her husband, Hiram M. Skaggs of Diamondhead; two sons and daughters-in-law, John and Brenda Skaggs of San Antonio and Jeff and Peggy Skaggs of Katy, Texas; a daughter and son-in-law, Cindy and Phil Scurria of Vicksburg; and four grandchildren.

Visitation was Monday at First United Methodist Church in Amite. Burial was in Amite Memorial Gardens under the direction of McKneely Funeral Home in Amite.

Local memorial services will be conducted Monday, May 6 at 2 p.m. at Diamondhead Community Church.

The family prefers contributions to the Diamondhead Community Church.



**GORDON WHITNEY**

Gordon Patrick Whitney, 60, of Kiln, died Tuesday, April 30, 2002, in Biloxi.

Mr. Whitney was born in Hartford, Conn., raised in Keen, N.Y., and was a resident of Bakers Mills, N.Y., for 25 years before moving to Kiln in 1998. He was an Army Air Corps veteran and a Catholic.

He was preceded in death by his father, George Whitney; and a brother, Gary Whitney.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Allen; a son, Shane Patrick Whitney, both of Kiln; a daughter, Shanna Whitney Schott of Cadillac, Mich.; his mother, Ethel Estes Whitney of

Lakeland, Fla.; two brothers, Wayne Whitney of Nassau, N.Y., and Craig Whitney of Pennsylvania; two sisters, Brenda Whitney and Lila O'Malley, both of Lakeland, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

Graveside services were conducted Friday in Biloxi National Cemetery directed by Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

**VERNA WIMBISH**  
 Verna Price Wimbish, 50, of Bay St. Louis, died Monday, April 29, 2002, in Bay St. Louis.

Mrs. Wimbish was a native of Baton Rouge. She was a resident of Bay St. Louis for the past 30 years and was a Lutheran.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jessie Earl and Lillie Delatte Bendily, Sr.

Survivors include her husband, Ernest Wimbish of Bay St. Louis; sons Ernest "Andy" Wimbish, Jr. of Gulfport and Todd Wimbish of Denham Springs, La.; four daughters, LaDonna Calecas, Roslyn Ramond and Holly Hudson, all of Bay St. Louis, and Jerri Cuevas of Gulfport; a brother, Jessie Earl Bendily, Jr. of Gonzales, La.; four sisters, Pat Middleton of Vidon, Texas, Sandy Griffin of Gonzales, Lisa Martin and Donna Avants, both of French Settlement, La.; and 10 grandchildren.

Visitation was Friday at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis followed by a prayer service in the funeral home chapel. Interment was private.

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The event is free, and every student who attends will enjoy great fellowship with games and music and gospel presentation.

The program is sponsored by Youth for Christ and many area churches.

For information, call John at 864-0788 or 209-4679.

## Pisarello named to Dean's List

Victoria Louise Pisarello of Waveland achieved the dean's list at the Savannah College of Art and Design in Savannah, Ga., for the winter quarter, 2002.

Pisarello is a photography major and is the daughter of J. Carlos Pisarello of Waveland.

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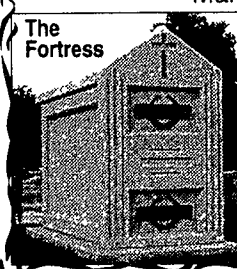
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## Cruisin' expands to eight-day event

October 6-13 brings the seventh edition of Cruisin' The Coast to the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

With 1,587 cars already pre-registered, the event is incredibly on a more rapid growth pace than in each of the last two years, which averaged 15% growth. 2002's pace is up 25% over last year, easily allowing the classic car and music festival to anticipate over 4,400 registered vehicles.

In six short years, the event has grown from 374 cars celebrating for three days in three cities at an economic impact of \$200,000 into this year's elaborate extravaganza.

Cruisin' The Coast 2002 will encompass the cities of Bay St. Louis, Long Beach, Gulfport, Biloxi, D'Iberville and new for 2002, Ocean Springs.

Now, all three coastal counties will share in an anticipated \$10-12 million in positive economic impact. Early hotel bookings indicate these projections could be extremely conservative.

Expansion of the event to eight days has been made possible by Cruisin' The Coast joining hands with

the Mississippi Gulf Coast Restaurant Association and the Gulf Coast Hotel and Lodging Association.

On Sunday, Oct. 6, Cruisin' The Coast will commence at a noon - 3 p.m. pre-party (location to be determined). Cruisers will then be able to share in the Coast's largest culinary festival, Chefs of the Coast at the Mississippi Coast Coliseum, courtesy of the Restaurant Association moving their date to coincide with the expanded Cruisin' event.

Many Hotel Association member properties are participating in extended-visit "specials" to encourage the cruisers to "make a week of it." In addition, Edgewater Mall is now a Cruisin' The Coast partner and will feature activities in the daytime on Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 7 and 8, as well as serving as an official Cruise-in venue on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 10, 11 and 12.

In the coming months, Cruisin' The Coast will be announcing "official" nighttime cruises and events to be held, as well as announce-

ing headline entertainment at its venues and participating casinos.

At press time, two hosts for these "official" new events already committed are: Beau Rivage for Thursday, Oct. 10 and Casino Magic Bay St. Louis for Tuesday, Oct. 8.

Cruisin' The Coast is made possible by nearly 400 volunteers who work on behalf of the area car clubs.

Cruisin' The Coast was founded by the member properties of Gulf Coast Gaming Association, which remains collectively, the event's largest sponsor.

Cruisin' The Coast once again features a Swap Meet and Auto Auction at the Coliseum, drag racing at the Gulfport Dragway, a sock-hop on Saturday the 12th in D'Iberville, and many other events outlined and updated on website [www.cruisinthecoast.com](http://www.cruisinthecoast.com).

Cruisin' The Coast is now one of the Top Ten Classic Car Shows in the United States and the biggest from Houston, Texas to Daytona, Fla.

The event has received national coverage from *My Classic Car* on Speedvision



### Cruisin'

Bay St. Louis Mayor Eddie Favre, right, was one of several local dignitaries to speak during the Cruisin' the Coast media party Wednesday at Hooters in Biloxi. Gene Oswalt, left, is the event's executive director. (Staff photo by Randy Ponder)

and the Nashville Network, *Southern Living Magazine*, *Southern Rodder Magazine*, the Discovery Channel and a host of other hobby-related media.

The event has won several state, regional and national awards for organization, economic impact and marketing prowess.

Cruisin' The Coast is also working to benefit area charities. Its volunteer car clubs inject tens of thousands of dollars into Coast charities annually.

This year Cruisin' The Coast itself is raffling off a 1939 Chevy Master Deluxe 4-door Coupe and sharing the proceeds with The Make-A-Wish Foundation.

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## Navy selects Northrop team for new battleship design

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Northrop Grumman's Ship Systems sector will lead the system design, engineering prototype development and testing of the DD(X) System under a \$265 million contract awarded today by the Navy. The team includes Raytheon Company (NYSE: RTN) as mission systems integrator and more than 30 of the nation's top engineering and maritime industrial companies.

The initial design contract has a total value of approximately \$2.9 billion over four years.

This family of ships includes destroyers, cruisers and littoral combat ships, as well as technology to be backfitted into today's existing fleet of Aegis-equipped cruisers and destroyers.

In addition to four other Northrop Grumman sectors -- Newport News, Information Technology, Electronic Systems and Integrated Systems -- the DD(X) Gold Team will include United Defense (NYSE: UDI) and Raytheon.

The team will also be joined by DD(X) Blue Team members General Dynamics' (NYSE: GD) Bath Iron Works and Lockheed Martin Corporation (NYSE: LMT).

"Our team's proposal included a bold approach to the development of the very best ship design and propulsion technologies the country has to offer in fielding the next generation of surface combatants," said Dr. Philip A. Dur, corporate vice president and president of Northrop Grumman Ship Systems.

"Northrop Grumman has delivered 70 advanced cruisers and destroyers to the Navy's surface fleet since 1975. Our vast experience in shipbuilding, coupled with our expertise in next-generation technologies, will result in a

forward-looking approach to the design and testing of ship systems for the DD(X). Together with Raytheon's information technology, sensors and combat systems, our team will deliver the most capable, most survivable family of ships ever produced."

This phase of the program will initially employ more than 350 Northrop Grumman Ship Systems management, engineering, operations and logistical support personnel over the next four years.

Northrop Grumman Ship Systems, headquartered in Pascagoula, includes facilities in Pascagoula and Gulfport, Miss., as well as New Orleans and Tallulah, La.

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## AdFed auction

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Mississippi Gulf Coast Advertising Federation (AdFed) pushes that familiar counsel to new, eclectic heights with the organization's annual Junk 2 Funk auction scheduled Monday, May 6, beginning 6:00 p.m. at Gulfport's Sugar Mill Island on Old Mill Road.

More information about Junk 2 Funk and other AdFed activities or membership is available by calling Goodwin at (228) 596-9830 or e-mailing [amber@theadgroup.net](mailto:amber@theadgroup.net) or [Ad2Mollie@aol.com](mailto:Ad2Mollie@aol.com).

## North Bay celebrates Careers in the Arts

Three years ago the Bay-Waveland School District earned a Schools-to-Career grant. This grant focuses on educating youths on available careers in our area, preparing them to be marketable and creating a relationship between students and the business world in our country. The goal is to encourage youth we educate to live and work in our community.

North Bay Elementary earned an Arts Grant from the State of Mississippi, which is in its third year. This grant encourages the implementation of art into every level of the curriculum and into every subject.

On April 12, North Bay

celebrated its third annual Career Day. Marilyn Mestayer, the on-site chairman organized the afternoon event, which included four local artists.

The artists spoke to individual classes sharing their professions in varying fields. They emphasized the importance of getting a good education, the need to find something you love to do and pursue it, and participation in the community.

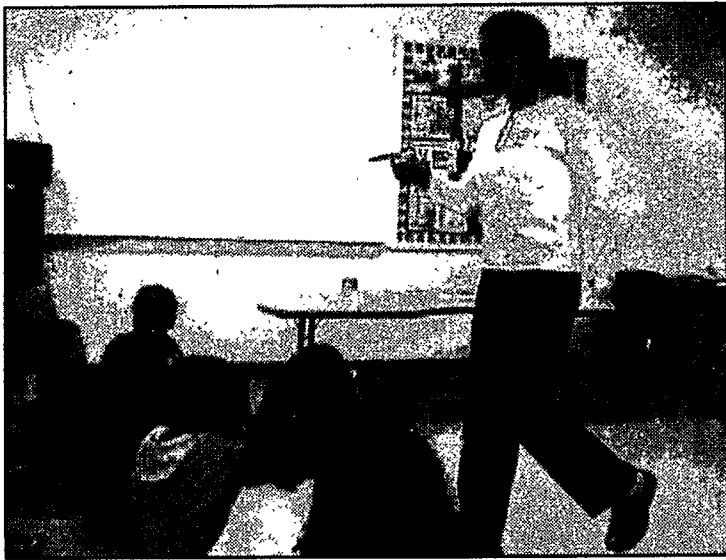
A major aspect of the success of the Schools to Careers and The Whole Schools Arts Innovative has been to invite the community into the school and to share careers within the arts.



Kevin Webster, local artist and prior owner of "Flying Cups and Saucers" coffee shop and gallery, intrigued students and faculty by presenting a video display of his company's animated commercials. The family-owned company is named "Maximillion Zillion." He explained the lengthy process he must go through to create these images and stimulated much discussion.



Todd Read, who owns Da Beach House on South Beach Blvd., did a terrific job of bringing creative music to the school. He introduced all types of hand-made and primitive musical instruments from around the world and encouraged hands-on activities with the children. He discussed the importance of music and rhythm in our lives.



Susan Dalgre, owner of Bookends Bookstore, shared her love for books and talked about the importance of reading. She emphasized the different reasons that we are challenged to read. Dalgre became a storyteller for the afternoon and enlightened everyone.

## Hancock Middle School Honor Roll, 3rd nine weeks

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**Eighth Grade:** Victoria Aldridge, Amanda Dearman, Andrew Enloe, Shevis Herndon, Natalie Jones, Meghan Lee, Christine Lottes, Whitley Loyd, Shawn McIntosh, Mollie Nunez, Rachel Selzer and Teresa Smith

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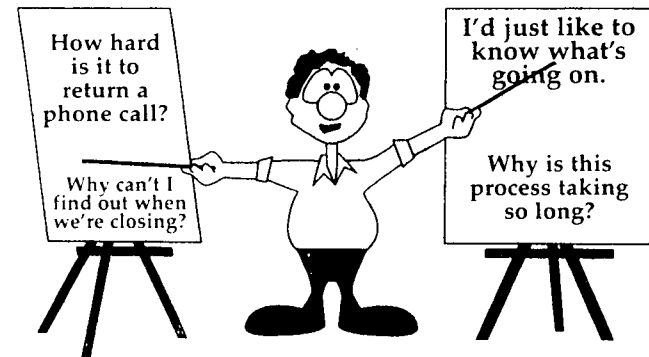
Anne Lynch, an artist from Pass Christian, whose work is displayed at Serenity Gallery, fascinated the children with her Colorado River Rocks. She paints these rocks creating various animals and creatures. Lynch went into detail about how she discovered this artistic avenue and how she obtained her tons of rocks.

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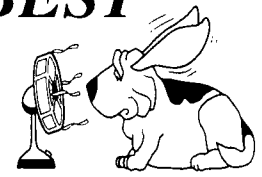
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Cost for returning cheerleaders will be \$75.

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## SPORTS

## PRCC Wildcats enter state play-offs

## SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

MACJC South Division champion Pearl River wrapped up its 2002 regular season in grand fashion at home last week, sweeping rival Copiah-Lincoln 4-0 and 6-5 in doubleheader baseball action.

PRCC, which entered the NJCAA's national poll at No. 12 last week, improved to 35-7 overall and finished atop the division at 20-4 with the wins and now heads into the MACJC State Tournament as the South's No. 1 seed at Northwest in Senatobia Friday through Sunday, then hosts the Region XXIII Tournament (Division II) May 10-12 in Poplarville. Northwest is the North's top seed, while Itawamba is second. Jones is the South's second seed in the state event.

Pearl River finished 10-2 in the region with the sweep.

"We've had our ups and we've had our downs through the season, but we're where in the position we've worked towards," said first-year PRCC head coach Jay Artigues, who's Wildcats finished the regular season winning 12 straight. "You can throw out the records now. Your season can end quickly when you reach this point."

The Wildcats are one win away from breaking the all-time single-season victory mark at PRCC. In 1983, the Wildcats finished 36-14.

In Saturday's nightcap, Eric Adkins of Purvis hit a two-run, game-winning home run in the bottom of the seventh to ice the victory for the Wildcats. Adkins

is the team leader with 11 homers.

PRCC led 2-0 after two innings, but Co-Lin scored a solo run in the top of the third, then took the lead at 4-2 with three runs in the fourth when Wildcat starter Chris Thompson of Mobile loaded the bases and then walked Arlandus Brown to push the tying run home. Fred Perkins followed with an RBI single, then an error made it 4-2 before Thompson was relieved by Josh O'Flynn of Petal. O'Flynn entered with the bases loaded and two outs and immediately recorded his first of five strike outs to get out of the crunch.

In the bottom of the fifth, Pearl River turned a walk and singles by Justin Gros of Oak Grove and Jeff Middleton of Mobile into a run to cut Co-Lin's lead to 4-3, but the Wolves bounced back with a run in the top of the sixth off the Wildcats' fourth and final error of the game.

O'Flynn gave up back-to-back singles to Brown and Paris Dancy to start things off, then recorded back-to-back strike outs. Davis reached via the miscue to score Brown to make it 5-3. PRCC's Jabrell Cook of Hattiesburg High bashed his third home run of the season in the bottom of the frame to make it 5-4.

Collin Smith of Baton Rouge relieved O'Flynn for the final inning and the Wolves left two base runners stranded when Matt Lea was thrown out at home for the third out in the bottom of the frame. Jake Smith of Picayune opened the bottom of the inning

with a base hit, setting the stage for Adkins' game winner.

Smith (6-0) was the winning pitcher in his one inning of relief, while Thompson pitched three-and-two-thirds innings, striking out four, walking two, and hitting one batter. O'Flynn pitched two-and-one-thirds, striking out five, walking none, and hitting one batter. Smith, an LSU signee, had one walk and one hit batter.

Co-Lin's Mitch Mangum (4-1) was the losing pitcher despite facing only one batter. Starter Kendall Poole went two innings, striking out three and walking one before Seth Lofton came on in the third and pitched four-and-two-thirds, striking out two and walking one.

PRCC finished with five hits, led by Adkins and Cook with homers and singles, while Jake Smith had two singles and Blake Munna of Poplarville singled.

Brown and Perkins paced Co-Lin's seven-hit effort with two singles each, while David Gray, Matt Lea, Chris Robinson, and Chase Coley singled.

In the first game, LSU signee Jered Salazar (9-3) was the winning pitcher in going the distance, giving up only four hits, while striking out six, walking none, and hitting no batters. Co-Lin starter Cole Zumbro (7-2) was the loser on the mound, but still finished with a six-hitter, striking out five, walking four, and hitting no batters in going the distance.

Pearl River left the bases loaded in the bottom of the

second, but rebounded with two in the bottom of the third. Jake Smith walked, then Adkins reached via a fielder's choice and eventually scored on a wild pick off throw to third. Salazar walked, setting the stage for Munna's RBI single to make it 2-0.

Gros opened the bottom of the fifth with a double and scored off Salazar's sacrifice to make it 3-0, then freshman left fielder's base hit in the bottom of the sixth drove in the final run of the game.

The Wolves were victimized by five errors in the game, while the Wildcats had only one miscue.

Gros' double and single led PRCC's five-hit effort, while Munna, Middleton, Salazar, and Jake Smith all singled.

Gray tripled, Dancy doubled, and Kyle Beall and Chase Coley singled for Co-Lin.

Following the state and regional events, the Central District Tournament is set for May 16-18 in Saint Catharine, Ky., with Region VII champ Saint Catharine Community College hosting, then it's the "big dance" at the 2002 NJCAA Division II World Series in Millington, Tenn., May 25 through June 1.

## Fire Dogs turn off Energy's lights

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II  
Staff Writer

The Mississippi Fire Dogs exacted a bit of revenge against the Winston-Salem Energy with a 43-32 victory last Saturday, in Biloxi.

The defensive play by an upgraded Fire Dog squad in the second half proved to be the difference in the game.

The Fire Dogs nursed a 22-18 halftime lead but saw that evaporate quickly when the Energy picked up a quick score to take a 24-22 lead.

The Fire Dogs answered when quarterback Stu Rayburn connected with Lamont Woodberry for a 10-yard score which put Mississippi in the lead 29-24.

Woodberry was making his appearance back in the lineup for Mississippi after missing three games due to a groin injury. He finished the night with 75 yards receiving and two scores.

The Energy wasted little time getting back on track as Courtney Dinkins scored from nine yards out after the Energy drove the length of the field. That touchdown gave the Energy a 32-29 lead. But, it was all Mississippi defense after that.

The Fire Dogs needed just one play on their next drive to strike paydirt. Rayburn hit Woodberry for a 25-yard score. James Matthews added a two-yard score for Mississippi later in the final quarter.

Mississippi's defense thwarted the Energy on three possessions late in the fourth quarter to halt any idea of a comeback by Winston-Salem.

Mississippi scored on their opening possession of the game with a 42-yard field goal by Billy Coachys. The Energy followed suit and tied the game at 3-3

with a field goal of their own. The Energy was stopped by a stingy Mississippi defense on three consecutive plays in the red zone.

Marcus Haynes scored on a 17-yard pass from Rayburn to make the score 10-3. Matthews scored his first touchdown of the game with a one-yard run in the second quarter to make the score 16-3.

The Energy battled back

for a Robert Bailey nine-yard run which made the score 16-11, briefly. Chris Johnson scored to give the Energy a 18-16 lead after an interception. However, a Dexter Thomas touchdown reception from Rayburn gave the Fire Dogs the half-time lead of 22-18.

The win gives Mississippi a 2-2 record on the season and avenges an earlier loss to the Energy. The Energy fell to 2-3 on the season.



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# Everyday milestones special for Bay St. Louis cancer survivor's family

*Relay For Life holds special meaning for Collins family*

## SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Six-year-old Mary Michael Collins smiles through a missing tooth. Her curly blonde hair tied back with a red ribbon bounces energetically around her face as she ducks and reemerges from behind her mother. She returns with her sisters to write on the chalkboard in Shannon Collins' classroom at St. Clare School in Waveland.

Mary Michael is like any little girl. She loves to dance and play with her sisters. But, unlike other 6-year-olds, Mary Michael is a cancer survivor.

When Mary Michael was 2 years and 3 months, she started limping. "I remember the doctor called us on the phone and told us," Shannon Collins, Mary Michael's mother, recalls.

"We had been waiting all day for the results to come back. I just knew something was wrong with her, maybe she had a virus. And so, when they called on the phone, I thought they were going to tell us she had some kind of weird virus."

"I never expected that she would have cancer."

Mary Michael's diagnosis of acute lymphocytic (or lymphoblastic) leukemia (ALL), the most common and curable form of childhood leukemia, changed the life of her entire family, sending a wave of worry, fear and at last hope through the family living in Bay St. Louis.

Shannon Collins now refers to her life in two stages: before cancer and after diagnosis.

"When they (the doctors) said, 'Mary Michael has leukemia,' that's where my life as I knew it ended, and life anew began during diagnosis," she says as Mary Michael climbs into her lap.

Mrs. Collins began arming herself with information on ALL to deal with the decisions that awaited her. Friends and family members called the American Cancer Society at 1-800-ACS-2345 and visited [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org) as well as other cancer information sources like the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society to help with education on ALL.

"I thought diagnosis with ALL meant instant death. I thought at any minute, I'd see her die," Mrs. Collins recalls. "What I didn't understand was how far they've come since the 1960s."

Research has indeed come a long way for childhood leukemia. ALL in childhood has an 80 percent cure rate due to the research that in part has been funded by the American Cancer Society.



Shannon Collins sits with her daughters, from left, Kaitlin, Mary Michael and Caroline at St. Clare School. The entire Collins family had to adjust when Mary Michael was diagnosed with acute lymphocytic leukemia.

Three of nine current American Cancer Society clinical research professors are specialists in the treatment of childhood leukemia.

The first few days of the diagnosis were the hardest for the Collins family.

"That first night, when we went to the hospital and the nurse handed me all these pamphlets, it was too real then," she says. "My husband is my rock. But those first three days, he couldn't speak... He would say, 'We're here, my daughter has leukemia,' and he would start crying (because he couldn't finish the word leukemia). I would have to finish his sentence."

Mary Michael's parents weren't the only ones affected. Her sisters had a rough adjustment as well. Kaitlin, 10, Mary Michael's eldest sister remembers a missed birthday party shortly after the diagnosis: "I remember my mama had to miss my birthday party, and I remember my aunt gave me a party at the skating rink."

Mrs. Collins recalled two Christmas mornings when Mary Michael was in the hospital in which Kaitlin and Caroline, 7, Mary Michael's other sister, awakened without their parents there. "Cancer is a disease that affects everyone," she says.

"If one person in the family has it, the whole family has it. Although that person has to endure all the physical suffering, everyone suffers and everyone pitches in to help lessen the burden."

Caroline, being only 14 months older than Mary Michael, went through a grieving period after Mary Michael's diagnosis. As babies, they were a lot like twins, and when Mary Michael went in for treatment Caroline was separated from her best friend.

Mary Michael will celebrate her second anniversary being out of treatment on May 18, and her entire family will be on hand to celebrate with her at the

American Cancer Society Relay For Life in Hancock County.

The overnight event will be on May 10 at the walking track at Hancock Medical Center.

Teams across Hancock County have been raising money for the fight against cancer and will walk all night to show their support for cancer patients and survivors.

Cancer survivors will walk a lap around the track at 7 p.m. to kick off the event. At 9 p.m. luminaria will line the track in honor of cancer survivors and to remember those who have lost the battle.

Mrs. Collins says Relay For Life has a special meaning for her. "The Relay For Life is so meaningful, especially the survivors lap at the beginning," she says. "It's always really hard for me, because I have to watch her walk that lap alone. That one lap by herself - it's just so symbolic. As cancer patients, they really do walk that lap alone. They walk it alone and yet, there are people to help them along the way."

Mrs. Collins credits her support group, Candlelighters, and the support of her family, friends and community for helping her through Mary Michael's illness.

She got well wishes and support from people she didn't even know, including Bay St. Louis resident Amy Lee who ran in a marathon for the Leukemia Lymphoma Society in honor of Mary Michael.

She encourages Hancock County residents to come out to the Relay For Life to show their support and contribute to the fight to end cancer.

"It's wonderful for families of people that have cancer to see the community support," she says. "When the community comes out for Relay For Life, it means so much. When we are walking our survivors lap

and caregivers lap and people are clapping, it just shows that people are there with us mentally."

"It would be very hard to do alone. We need that support."

Mary Michael learned how to ride a bike a month ago, and she recently lost her first tooth. The Collins family celebrates each milestone, and Mrs. Collins considers each day a blessing.

For cancer information 24 hours a day or for more information on Relay For Life, call 1-800-ACS-2345 or visit [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).

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1940s-60s - various mouse leukemia systems worked out (Ludwik Gross, Ph.D.).

1955 - Joseph Burchenal, M.D., treated leukemia patients with 6 MP and had some success.

1955 - Emil J. Freireich, M.D., helped design first scientific clinical trial for cancer combination chemotherapy.

1958 - Howard Skipper, Ph.D., demonstrated the efficacy of the mouse L1210 leukemia model to test chemotherapeutic drugs by curing experimental leukemia in mice.

1959 - Frank Huennekens, Ph.D., described folic acid pathway in metabolism of leukemic cells.

1960s - Joseph Bertino,

M.D., worked out the pharmacology of methotrexate, drug used to treat leukemia.

1962 - Four-drug combination chemotherapy (Emil J. Freireich, M.D.) resulted in 15% cure.

1967 - Robert Good, M.D., demonstrated the relationship of leukemia to normal development of immune white cells.

1968 - Donald Pinkel, M.D., used high-dose radiation to prevent Central Nervous System relapse in childhood ALL and got 35% cure.

1978 - Clara Bloomfield, M.D., demonstrated characteristic gene rearrangement in leukemic cells and opened field of cytogenetics.

1984 - Carlo Croce,

M.D., described novel gene fusion in poor prognosis childhood ALL on chromosome 11.

1994 Modern multi-agent chemotherapy plus CNS radiation gives 75-80% cure.

1995 Bart Kamen, M.D., Ph.D., successfully treats drug resistant leukemias with new regimen of old drug, aminopterin.

1997 - Joanne Kurtzberg, M.D., successfully treats children in leukemia relapse with high dose chemotherapy followed by transplant of stem cells from umbilical cords.

2000 - A Phase III trial of aminopterin plus Robitussin (shown by ACS Clinical Research Professor Bart Kamen, M.D., Ph.D., to counteract toxic side effects) begins.



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## Native American forestry practices

**FROM THE PACE FILES:**  
BY JAMES E. FICKLE

Early travelers in the forested areas of Mississippi were overwhelmed by the enormity and beauty of the wooded lands they encountered.

Their descriptions talk of "the magnificent pine forest," an unbroken pine forest, and the fact that areas where regular burning of the woods had been practiced by Native Americans were "almost destitute of scrubby undergrowth... like a park, whose long grass is often very beautifully interspersed with brilliantly tinted flowers."

John F.H. Claiborne said of Jones County in 1840, "Much of it is covered exclusively with the long leaf pine, not broken, but rolling like the waves in the middle of the great ocean. The grass grows three feet high, and hill and valley are studded all over with flowers of every hue. The flora of this section ... and thence down to the sea board is rich beyond description."

This was not for the most part a primeval landscape. The lands and their cover were altered overtime by natural forces and by Native Americans who cleared areas for agricultural and ceremonial use and utilized fire for clearing and "improving" the forests.

Both the composition and the appearance of the forested areas were altered. Early white settlers continued to operate in much the same fashion as the Native Americans, using the forests to supply their own housing and other needs, clearing areas for cultivation, and producing commercial forest products largely for limited local markets.

The forests were considered virtually inexhaustible and were seen largely as obstacles to settlement and development.

Gradually these ideas changed as outside markets for naval stores, timbers, and pine masts for shipbuilding, and other products developed.

Sawmills appeared, especially along navigable waterways that connected the producers with their customers. As the lumber-producing regions of the Northeast and Great Lakes were cut over, and as railroads moved into the interior regions of the South, developers moved rapidly into the forests of Mississippi.

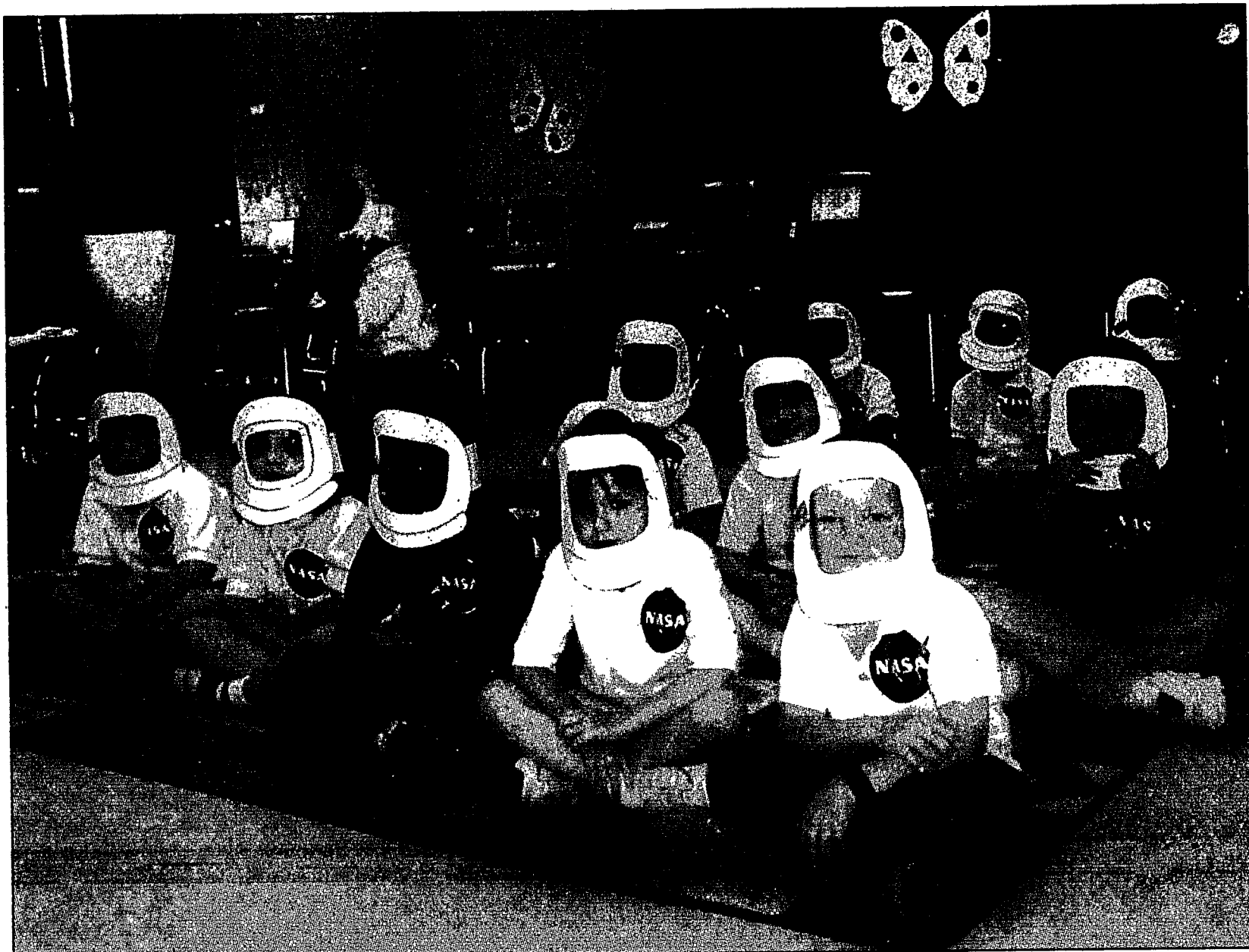
One writer published a book in 1888 prophetically entitled *How to Get Rich in the South*, and told his readers that "The Supply of Timber [in the South] is inexhaustible ... and is being bought in large tracts by lumbermen."

A report by the United States Commissioner of Agriculture in 1875 noted that 85 percent of the land in Hancock, Greene, and Jackson counties was forested.

Lumbering was at that time a migratory industry.

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## Waveland Elementary gets ... *Spaced Out!*



The kids in Tammy Raymond's kindergarten class at Waveland Elementary get ready Thursday for a visit from Jenny Seymour in her space suit during the school's "Space Day" celebration.

Echo staff photos by Bennie Shallbetter

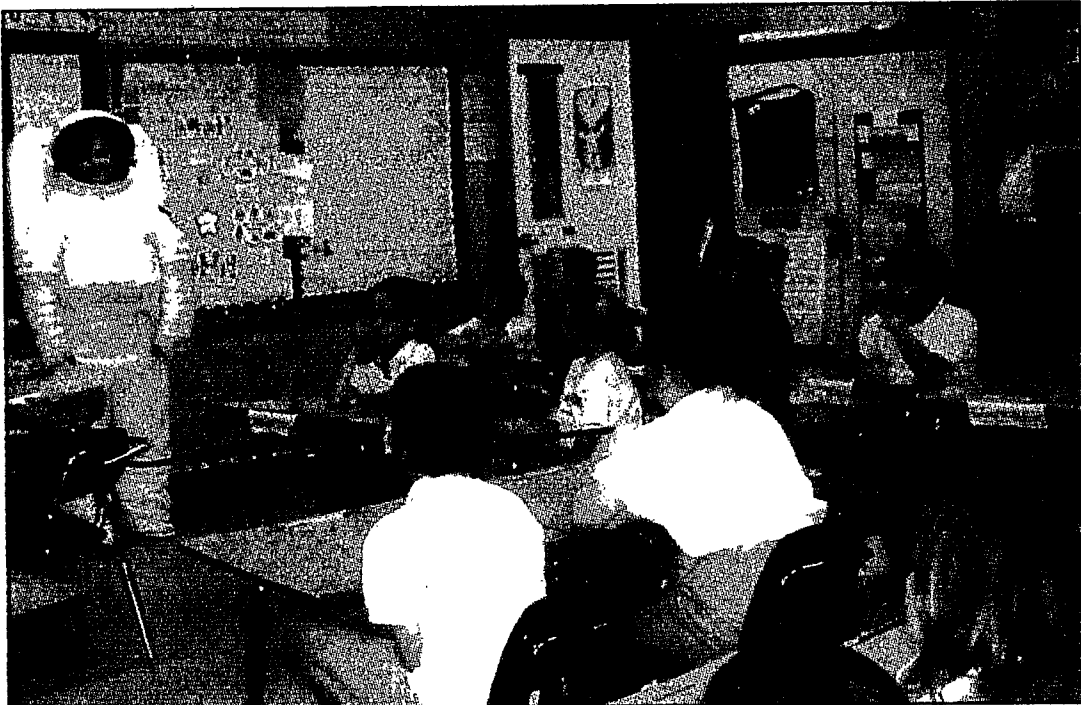
### Student's signatures going up on space shuttle mission

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER  
Staff Writer

The students at Waveland Elementary School are going into space this fall. Well, at least their signatures are, as a part of the Student Signatures in Space Program.

As a part of Space Day 2002, the school was sent a giant poster for all the students to sign. The poster will be photographed and the negative of the signatures will be loaded aboard U.S. Space Shuttle Mission STS-113 and shot off into space.

The mission, which is a space station assembly mission is scheduled to launch



Jenny Seymour visits a classroom and answers questions about space travel.

in early October. After the mission the poster will be returned to the school, along with a photo of the crew that carried the signatures and a flight certificate.

verifying that the signatures flew in space.

In celebration of the day, the school was decorated throughout with various class projects relating to

space flight. Parent Jenny Seymour dressed in a space suit and visited various class rooms. Each class had their own space theme for the day.



Brice Thomas shows off one of the many decorations throughout the school.

## Pick a penny, pinch a penny, make a penny do ...

"A fool and his money are soon parted, but a cheap man is here to stay."  
William Murke in "Capitalist of the Mississippi Plains" 1867

There is a point in economizing that when you go by too far you have gone by too far. We all have the experience of going by just going and find we have traveled a long way before someone points out to us. Then we feel sort of stupid, but being

Views From a Front Porch  
by Paul Estronza La Violette  
laviolette@mail.datasync.com

human, won't come out error, and make lame excuses. I remember a few years ago when I was helping Jim put in a new skylight on our roof. (These are really nice things to have and don't

around it's perimeter Jim looked closely at the shingles already on the roof. "Mr. Paul, you need a new roof." I look at it and agreed with him, but said that new roofs cost money. "Tell you what, I'll get the material this weekend and we'll do it first thing Monday. The two of us, if we hustle and start early, can get the whole thing done in two days. It'll be cheap, you'll see. Jim was one of the most inexpensive thinking person I've

ever met. He got up and looked around. "We'll catch that back roof, too." Well, Monday just about when the sun came up, the two of us were scrapping off shingles and ripping at the tar paper and these all went flying down on the lawn were Stella, when she came home late in the afternoon, raised all kind of fuss. "We'll get that, Miss Stella," yelled Jim from

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## What's for Lunch?

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**Tuesday:** Sausage and Biscuit, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

**Wednesday:** Grits and Hashbrowns, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

**Thursday:** Grilled Cheese Sandwich, Cereal, Toast, Fruit Juice

**Friday:** Cinnamon-Raisin Biscuit, Cereal, Toast, Juice

**LUNCH**
**Monday:** Macaroni and Cheese with Ham Chunks, BBQ Pork on Bun, Black-eyed Peas, Buttered Corn, Frozen Fruit Juice, Fresh Fruit bowl, Yeast Roll, Devil's Food Delight

**Tuesday:** Southern Fried Chicken, Patty Melt, Broccoli and Rice Casserole, Buttered Carrots, Peach Slices, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Yeast Roll

**Wednesday:** Chicken Pot Pie, Corn Dog, Turnip Greens, Cajun Fries, Fruit Cocktail, Pineapple Tidbits

Yeast Roll, Jell-O with Whipped Topping

**Thursday:** Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Chili Dog, Buttered Corn, Garden Salad with Dressing, Mandarin Fruit Cup, Orange Smiles, Chocolate Pudding, Yeast Roll

**Friday:** Fried Catfish, Chicken Nuggets, French Fries, Coleslaw, Peach Slices, Fresh Fruit Bowl, Cornbread, Mississippi Mud Cake

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**Thursday:** Cereal with Toast or Sausage Biscuit, Juice

**Friday:** Cereal with Toast or Breakfast Pizza

**LUNCH**
**Monday:** Corn Dog Nuggets, Stuffed Crust Pizza, French Fries, Calif. Vegetables, Cucumber Sticks with Dip, Pears, Fruit Juice, Chocolate Pudding

**Tuesday:** Southern Fried Chicken, Cheeseburger, Chef Salad Au Gratin Potatoes, Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Peaches, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers, Yellow Cake with Icing

**Wednesday:** Chicken Spaghetti, Pizza, Chef Salad, French Fries, Baby Carrot Sticks with Dip, Pear Salad, Pineapple Tidbits, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers, Jell-O

**Thursday:** Beef-A-Roni, Ham and Cheese Poboys, Chef Salad, Oven Fries, Seasoned Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Fruit Juice, Garlic Bread, Crackers, Fruit Crisp

**Friday:** Fried Fish, Taco Salad, Seasoned Fries, Steamed Carrots, Coleslaw, Pears, Fruit Juice, Hushpuppies, Mississippi Mud Cake

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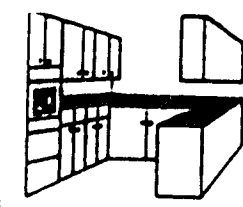
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Daughter Hilda L. Bourg of Diamondhead, left; mother Corinne S. Levy of Bay St. Louis, holding great-grandson Zachary John Bourg; and grandson Kevin L. Bourg of Alpharetta, Ga. are on way to christening of Zachary at St. Mary Catholic Church March 27 in Lafayette.

**Hancock High kids do 'laps of love' for Breast Cancer Awareness Walk May 20**

On May 20 from 4:30 to 7 p.m., at the Hancock County Walking Track, several Hancock High School groups will be joining forces with Hancock Medical Center to raise money for breast cancer awareness.

Numerous school groups will be making laps around the track, and for each lap completed, individuals will pledge a particular amount of money.

All proceeds will be

donated to the Hancock Medical Center Foundation's Breast Cancer Task Force Restricted Fund to provide screening mammograms to women who qualify and other necessary breast cancer information to women and men in our community.

For more information about this event, contact Cherie Labat, Hancock County Vo-Tech Center at 467-3568 after 1:30 p.m.

**Hancock Water, Sewer District meets Friday**

The monthly meeting of the Hancock County Water and Sewer District will begin at 1 p.m. Friday, May 10, at the district's maintenance building located behind the Farmer's Market and behind the County Civic Center on Longfellow Road.

**HNC Class of '82 reunion**

HNC Class of '82 will hold its 20-year class reunion Saturday evening, July 29.

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## Engagements

### LaFrance-Davidson

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert LaFrance of Kiln announce the engagement of their daughter, Amanda Gail LaFrance of Hattiesburg, to Randy W. Davidson, Jr. of Hattiesburg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Randy W. Davidson, Sr. of Brookhaven, Miss.

The bride-elect is a 1997 graduate of Hancock High School and a 1999 graduate of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. She is also a 2001 graduate of University of Southern Mississippi with a BA degree in paralegal studies.

She is employed with Morris, Sakalarios and Blackwell, PLLC of Hattiesburg.

Her grandparents are

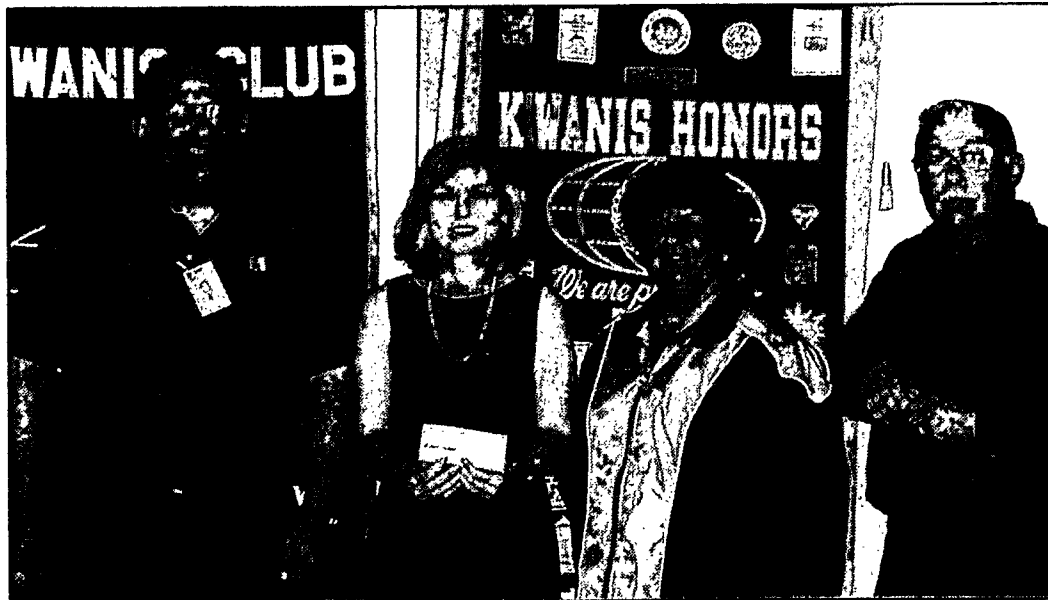
Mrs. Annie Mae LaFrance of Bay St. Louis and the late Lester LaFrance, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Horace "Joe" Moran of Kiln and the late Sanford Lester.

The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Vidalia High School, La., and is currently attending University of Southern Mississippi. He is employed with Comcast Cable.

His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bland of Natchez and Mr. Bill Ray Davidson.

Wedding vows will be changed May 18 at Annunciation Catholic Church in Kiln.

### Kiwanis Donation



The Kiwanis Club of Hancock County recently donated \$250 to the Hancock Medical Center Foundation. Receiving the check is Janet McQueen, second from left, marketing/development director for the foundation. Pictured to her immediate right is Terri Yetter, president of the Kiwanis Club, and members Randolph Bourgeois on the right and Bernard Chevalier.

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## Births

### EVAN THOMAS CHENEY

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Cheney of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Evan Thomas, Feb. 24, 2002 at 3:17 p.m. at Garden Park Medical Center.

He weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces.

Mrs. Cheney is the former Jean Fannin.

Maternal grandparents are Joseph and Tonya Fannin of Orlando, Fla.

Paternal grandparents are Patrick and Carol Cheney, Jr. of Bay St. Louis.

Great-grandparents include Virgil and Jean Fannin of Pass Christian, the late William and Ruth Woodard, Marie Cheney of Bay St. Louis and the late Patrick Cheney, Sr. and the late Henry and Carol Grannan.

### ETHAN CHRISTOPHER FAVRE

Mr. and Mrs. Brian C. Favre of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Ethan Christopher, April 3, 2002 at 12:28 p.m. at Memorial Hospital in Gulfport.

He weighed 9 pounds, 6 1/2 ounces.

Mrs. Favre is the former Vicki LaFontaine.

Maternal grandparents are Terrell and Laurin LaFontaine of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Ronnie and Carolyn Favre of Bay St. Louis.

Great-grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Clifton LaFontaine of Waveland and Lydia Favre of Bay St. Louis, the late Mr. and Mrs. Norman Tartavouille and the late Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Favre, Sr.

Ethan is welcomed by his sister, Natalie.

### MADISON RENE SEKINGER

Mr. and Mrs. Allen K. Sekinger Jr. of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Madison René, April 12, 2002 at 2:21 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

Mrs. Sekinger is the former Jessica Breaux.

Maternal grandparents are Cindy and Norman Breaux of Broussard, La.

Paternal grandparents are Allen and Debbie Sekinger Sr. of Waveland.

Great-grandparents include J. U. Ladner, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Breaux and Audrey Slation. Great-great-grandmother is Eather Necaise.

Madison is welcomed by brother Trey.

### TYLA ANN CUEVAS

Wesley Ray Cuevas and Tara Ann Necaise of Kiln announce the birth of their first child, Tyla Ann, March 18, 2002 at 6:03 p.m. at Garden Park Medical Center.

She weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Dale and Karen Necaise of Kiln.

Paternal grandparents are Ray and Cindy Cuevas of Perkinston.

Great-grandparents include Carolyn Adam of Bay St. Louis and the late Clayton Adam, Mr. and Mrs. Lugis O. Necaise Jr. of Kiln; the late Mr. and Mrs. Oliver James Cuevas and the late Mr. and Mrs. George E. Denius of Steep Hollow.

### ALLISON RAE MCKENZIE

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Bradford McKenzie of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Allison Rae, March 7, 2002 at 4:24 p.m. at Hancock County Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces.

Mrs. An'gel McKenzie is the former An'gel M. Smith.

Maternal grandparents are Alfred and Beverly Smith of Bay St. Louis and Mary and Milton Bauer of Gulfport.

Paternal grandparents are Jana and Dennis McKenzie of Long Beach.

Great-grandparents include Katherine McKenzie of Ocean Springs and the late Teresa Smith.

Allison is welcomed by her brother, Michael.

### DEVAN JOSEPH LANEUX

Brian Joseph Laneaux of

Bay St. Louis and Jennifer Lea Necaise of Kiln announce the birth of a son, Devan Joseph, March 18, 2002 at 10:31 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Harold and Cynthia Necaise of Kiln.

Paternal grandmother is Irene Laneaux of Bay St. Louis.

Great-grandmother is Joyce Gwynn.

Devan is welcomed by brother Brian Joseph Laneaux, Jr.

### TREYLEA DAWN RANDALL

Trey Randall and Misty Daniels of Kiln announce the birth of their third child, Treylea Dawn, March 18, 2002 at 2:52 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Katherine Daniels and L. B. Ladner Jr. of Kiln.

Paternal grandparents are Lucy Randall and the late Murray Randall of Lakeshore.

Great-grandparents include Helen Carver of Bay St. Louis and the late Charles O. Carver Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Albert Daniels Sr. of Kiln, the late Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Randall Sr., and Mr. L. B. Ladner Sr. and Doris Ladner, both of Kiln.

Treylea is welcomed by sisters Cassidy, 4, and Madyson, 3.

### MARY ELIZABETH 'MARY BETH' MAHNE

Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Mahne of Diamondhead, announce the birth of their second child, Mary Elizabeth "Mary Beth," April 6, 2002 at 10:25 a.m. at Garden Park Medical Center.

She weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces.

Mrs. Mahne is the former Jenny Manuel.

Maternal grandparents are Rob Manuel and Marsha Manuel of Jackson, Miss.

Paternal grandparents are Weldon Mahne and Betsy Navo of New Orleans.

Great-grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Warren Griffon of Pass Christian, Mrs. Audrey

Manuel of Biloxi, Mr. Ray Durr of Slidell and Mrs. Herman Navo of Chalmette.

Mary Beth is welcomed by brother Jackson.

### HANNAH ELIZABETH HOLLIMAN

Jimmy and Annette Holliman of Waveland announce the birth of a daughter, Hannah Elizabeth, March 29, 2002 at 4:57 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces.

Mrs. Holliman is the former Annette Hill.

Maternal grandparents are Masin and Lee Hill of Bay St. Louis.

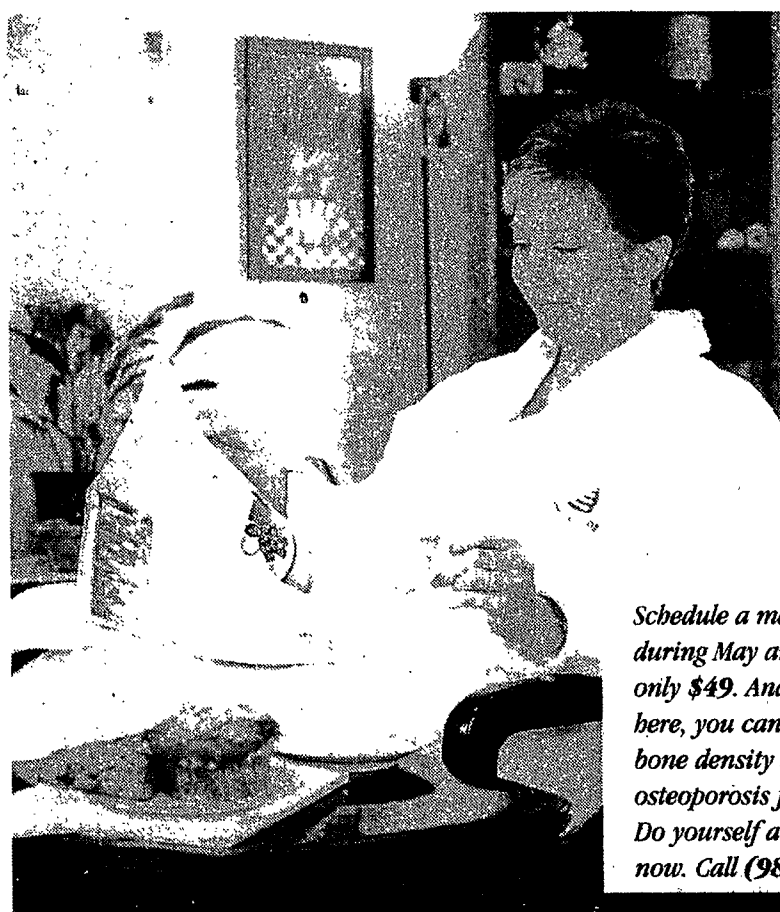
Paternal grandparents are Inez Holliman of Waveland and the late George V. Holliman.

Great-grandparents include Vida Domingue of Clermont Harbor and the late Eldge "Shorty" Domingue, the late Masin and Annette Hill Sr., the late Etta Marie McKean and Pascal James Palmisano, and the late Mr. and Mrs. William Owen Holliman.

Hannah is welcomed by her sister, Morgan Leigh.

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### CHAPTER 233

TOPS MS 233 met Thursday April 30 at the Waveland Methodist Church on Vacation Lane and Central Avenue.

Best loser for the week was Pat with 4.5 pounds. There were 18 members present. The gift was won by Jeanette, and the incentive was won by Elaine. Salem and Joy were wel-

comed back. A program was presented by Quanita.

TOPS 233 meets every Thursday at the Waveland Methodist Church. Weigh-ins 5-6 p.m. with the meeting following.

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## Pace -- Native Americans and forestry

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Limited knowledge about the regenerative abilities of trees, the prevailing tax laws, and the patterns of capitalization and technology in the industry contributed to the wasteful and environmentally harmful patterns of "cut out and get out" logging.

Lumbermen came in from Michigan, Indiana, Minnesota, and other northern states with steam-powered skidders and large mills, which cut across the "inexhaustible" forests of the South in a matter of only about four decades.

There was no thought of reforestation. The big mills were designed to operate on large tracts that would be depleted over a period of 15 to 25 years. In fact, those who might have been inclined to operate differently were discouraged by the tax laws.

Lumberman J.R. Weston remembered that in response to Mississippi's effort to tax cutover land that still had some trees as timberland, Edward Hines "ordered his woods crews to go back over the cut over land and cut every pine tree over 2 inches in diameter, and I understand his woods crews followed those instructions until he ceased operations in 1930 in Hancock, Pearl River, and Lamar counties."

A Mississippi State forester wrote "Steam-powered skidders with long

cables dragged the logs from the stump to the rail siding. This process tore at, broke off, and often dug up young trees in the path of these logs.

This type of operation left the land bare with stumps as the only reminder of what was once there ... beautiful stands of trees.

The bare soil began to erode and small rivulets grew into gullies. Uncontrolled fires, many set by arsonists, also plagued the Mississippi forests.

By the 1930s, most of the "virgin" forest of the South had been cut over. Some companies picked up and moved to the West Coast to begin the process anew.

Others were driven out of existence by the conditions of the Great Depression. Some were still hanging on, although heavily burdened with debt, taxation, and the diminished value of their denuded lands.

Many considered the land a liability, rather than an asset. One early forester remembers his grandfather playing poker in games where deeds to 40 acres of cutover land were used as the equivalents of five-dollar bills by the land-poor gamblers.

However, changes were on the horizon that would drastically change conditions in Mississippi. A few pioneering companies and foresters, both public and private, were beginning to

realize the regenerative potential of the timberlands.

Scientific research by men like Charles Holmes Herty was creating the knowledge base for the rise of the pulp and paper industry.

Civic groups, such as the Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs, were organizing crusades to promote fire control, preservation of the remaining stands of "virgin" timber, and regeneration of the cutover lands.

The Mississippi General Assembly created the State Forestry Commission in 1926, and in 1938, the Mississippi Forestry Association became "The Voice of Forestry" in the state.

The forests came back through the efforts of foresters, civic groups, large forest products companies which migrated back to the state, and landowners who helped to make Mississippi the nation's leading tree farm state.

One writer who flew across the state in the late 1940s remembers seeing "a vast open, light brown area.... The early virgin forests had been removed. People were running cattle over open lands just trying to keep alive."

However, by the late 1980s, the forests had come back not once, but twice! The same observer reported, "Today when you make

that same flight, it's just an ocean of green. It's a good feeling to know that what we did, and were lucky enough to start as charter members, was to put the South back on its feet in the forest products industries."

The forests of today often do not look or feel like those encountered by the early European settlers of this region. Nevertheless, while we may disagree about esthetics and the proper balances of preservation and utilization of the forests, it is at least worth remembering that the woodlands of the early pioneer period also represented a landscape that had been altered and affected by human activity.

The forest has been central to the lives of many Mississippians over the generations, both culturally and economically. It is surprising, even incredible, that it has received such limited attention from writers and historians.

As Noel Polk observed in the introduction to the excellent 1986 book, *Mississippi's Piney Woods*, a 1982 coffee-table book sponsored by the Mississippi Department of Economic Development and entitled *Mississippi* did not devote a single page or photograph to the piney woods.

Other excellent works, such as Nollie Hickman's *Mississippi Harvest* and John Hebron Moore's

*Andrew Brown & Cypress Lumbering in the Old Southwest* sit in rather lonely isolation on the library shelves.

In the next couple of years, with your assistance, I hope to take a significant step toward correcting this situation and giving the forests of Mississippi their proper place in the historical and literary record.

There are extensive documentary collections in the state at the University of Southern Mississippi, the University of Mississippi, Mississippi State University, and the Mississippi State Archives in Jackson.

I have worked in these collections and will be continuing to examine their materials. There are extensive resources in various libraries and depositories outside of the state, such as at the Forest History Society at Duke University, which I recently visited.

However, there are also extremely valuable materials with which the members of this organization and other interested citizens

may be familiar.

If you or members of your family or your friends were involved in any way in the utilization and regeneration of Mississippi's forests, I would like to talk with you.

If you possess or know of any family, company, or organizational correspondence or records relevant to this topic, I would like to know about them. If you own or know of any photographs or other illustrative materials, I would like to see them.

I have met many of you through my work with my friends Art Nelson and the late Dick Allen, and at the recent annual meeting of the Mississippi Forestry Association.

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# Happy Mother's Day

## THE HISTORY OF MOTHER'S DAY

The earliest Mother's Day celebrations can be traced back to the spring celebrations of ancient Greece in honor of Rhea, the Mother of the Gods. During the 1600s, England celebrated a day called "Mothering Sunday," on the fourth Sunday of Lent (the 40-day period leading up to Easter). "Mothering Sunday" honored the mothers of England.

During this time many of England's poor worked as servants for the wealthy. As most jobs were located far from their homes, the servants would live at the houses of their employers. On Mothering Sunday the servants would have the day off and were encouraged to return home and spend the day with their mothers. As Christianity spread throughout Europe the celebration changed to honor the "Mother Church" — the spiritual power that

gave them life and protected them from harm. Over time the church festival blended with the Mothering Sunday celebration. People began honoring their mothers as well as the church.

In the United States, Mother's Day was first suggested in 1872 by Julia Ward Howe (who wrote the

words to the "Battle Hymn of the Republic") as a day dedicated to peace.

Ms. Howe would hold organized Mother's Day meetings in Boston, Mass. every year.

In 1907, Ana Jarvis, of Philadelphia, began a campaign to establish a national Mother's Day. Ms. Jarvis

persuaded her mother's church in Grafton, West Va., to celebrate Mother's Day on the second anniversary of her mother's death, the second Sunday of May. By the next year, Mother's Day

was also celebrated in Philadelphia. Ms. Jarvis and her supporters began to write to ministers, businessmen and politicians in their quest to establish a national Mother's Day. In

1914, President Woodrow Wilson made the official announcement proclaiming Mother's Day as a national holiday that was to be held each year on the second Sunday of May.

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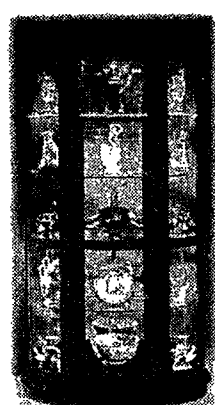
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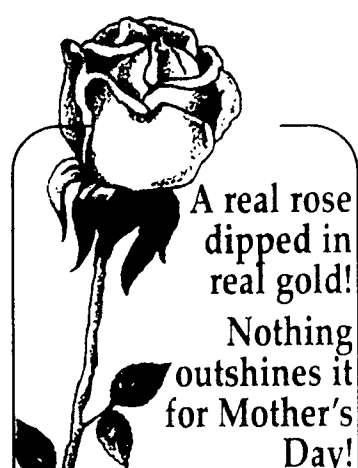
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## FBLA students place



The Hancock County Vo-Tech Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) Feb. 7 placed in the district level FBLA competition in Ellsville. The following students also represented the district in state FBLA competition Feb. 25-26 in Jackson: back row from left, fifth place in Networking Concepts, Eric Quibodeaux; and sixth place in Public Speaking, Kelle Bonano; front row, first place in Business Law, Hollie Martin; first place in Word Processing, Haley Lee; and second place in Introduction to Business, Ashley Garfield. Not pictured: first place in Technology Concepts, Karolina Sarnowska; and sixth place in Future Business Leaders, Cindy Le.

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-- Brant James Ryan, a senior speech communication major originally from Bay St. Louis but now living in Hattiesburg, Ryan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Ryan of Hattiesburg, also received the Who's Who Award.

-- Brande Alyssa Lamas, a senior speech communication major from Biloxi. Lamas, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Joseph Lamas of Biloxi, also received the Who's Who Award and the Don George Award for Academic

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the roof. "When we get done, I'll bring my large truck and, when Mr. Paul and I get through picking it all up, you won't even know it was there."

By the time we got all of the old roofing off and had laid the tarpaper on the smaller of the two roofs, it was dark. Jim drove off in his old pickup, happy at what we had done.

I went inside and, after showering and taking three aspirins, found that I hurt too much to eat more than one serving of Stella's lasagna. She helped me get comfortable on the living room couch and I disappeared.

The next day, Jim drove his large truck and brought a helper. I don't know whether he thought we were going too slow or that, if I was a help, it wasn't much. Anyway, we worked, the three of us, and quickly got the large roof papered.

Then, while Jim started nailing shingles, the helper and I started bringing up shingles and placing them on the roof in places where they would be nailed.

Now shingles are heavy, each bundle weighs fifty, maybe three hundred pounds and carrying each one up Jim's old wobbly ladder and walking across that steep roof was a experience. And did I say that it was summer and that it was hot, real hot? And that the helper Jim had gotten us

was puny?

Well, we worked all that hot morning and into the hotter afternoon with no break for lunch, hammering down those stupid shingles and then going down and getting more. It was late in the afternoon about the time I had gotten tired of waving friendly like at the no-see-ums and just let them eat, when I was picking up another of those four to five hundred pound bundles of shingles and was handing it up to the helper - he and I had found we could just pass them to each other and that way they got lighter - when I heard a large truck stop beside the house.

"Who's your boss?" came a voice from the truck.

Both the helper and I pointed to Jim and Jim stood up, his roofing hammer hanging loosely in his hand by his side.

"You guys look like you could use a little help." I could see him now; he looked big and strong. "Make you a deal. I'll pick up all of them there shingles and tarpaper and haul it off for thirty dollars. What do you say?"

Jim stood there and said no.

"Well than make it twen-

ty, can't go no lower than that."

"Thank you," said Jim waving the man away. "I appreciate your offer, but I got these two fellers." With that Jim dropped down and began hammering away again. The man got back into his truck and started up, the engine sputtered not wanting to start.

"Mr. Paul, Mr. Paul." I looked up and the helper was looking down at me with a sort of pleading look on his face. "Mr. Paul, ain't you got no twenty dollar bill on you?"

I realized I probably did and if I didn't I knew where I could get one. I dropped the bundle of shingles and tried to catch the truck that had finally started and was moving noisily away. I was too late and it went around the corner and it was gone and late that hot, hot afternoon, the helper and I picked up the shingles and the roofing paper and I skipped supper and went to bed at eight-thirty.

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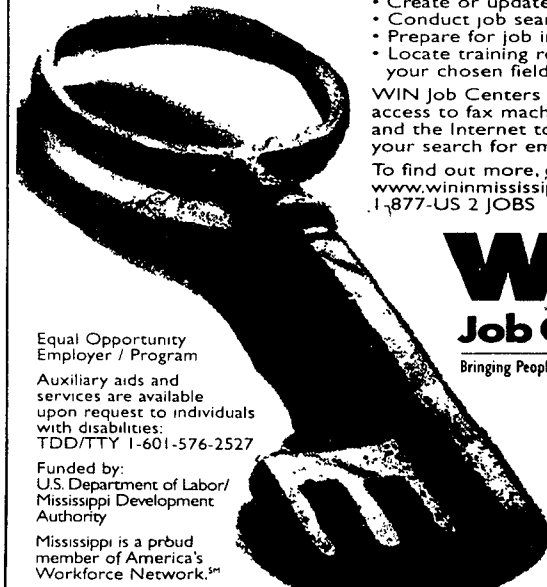
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RUSTIC COUNTRY ESTATE on Bayou Lazere. Near Casino Magic, 4Br, 2.5Ba, sunroom, large country fireplace, solid wood exposed beams, dbl. attached large garage, unfinished guesthouse, w/full bath incl. Large lot across street. \$169,000. 1-800-277-4994.

THIS IS THE FISHING CAMP YOU have been looking for! This 2BR, 2BA home has a fireplace in the cozy living room. For the fisherman, the bulkhead dock has a fish cleaning station. \$86,000. MLS#127921

## Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARTHUR F. KERNS

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2000-386 RULE 61 SUMMONS - PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI TO JACQUELYN MERCHUSON and MARLIN CANTRELLE GRAFF, who are believed to be non-residents of the State of Mississippi, whose names and addresses, both post office and street addresses, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

You are a party in the Petition to Approve First and Final Accounting and Adjudicate Heirs filed in this Court by Gustave P. Cantrelle, Administrator, seeking final decree of approval and allowances and discharge Administrator. Interested parties other than you in this action are ROBERT E. KERNS, LUCILLE FANK, RONALD CANTRELLE and EUGENE CANTRELLE. You are summoned to appear at 9:30 A.M., on the 12th day of June, 2002, before the Honorable Carter O. Bise, in the Chancery courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse Annex at 306 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and show cause, if any you can, why the Petition to Approve First and Final Accounting and Adjudicate Heirs of the Administrator should not be allowed and approved. This summons is issued in accordance with Sec. 91-7-25, Miss. Code Ann. 1972. You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND and the seal of said court, this 24th day of April, A.D., 2002. (SEAL)

TIM A. KELLAR  
CHANCERY CLERK  
BY Erica Cantabati  
04/28/05/05/05/12/02

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,  
Hancock County

2002-263  
Executor Notice to Creditors  
of PETER H. SWARTWOOD

Letters testamentary having been granted on the 16th day of April, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned upon the estate of Peter H. Swartwood, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of said Court for Probate and registration according to law within 90 days from this date, or they will be forever barred.

This 21st day of April, A.D., 2002.

3-Julien K. Byrne III  
Executor  
04/21/04/28/05/05/02

## Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

HUMAN SERVICES, BY ZADIE ROGERS, SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR, AND FRANCES LUCILE CALIX AND WESLEY A. CALIX, MINORS, BY AND THROUGH THEIR NEXT FRIEND, ZADIE ROGERS PETITIONERS

VS. UNKNOWN PUTATIVE FATHER RESPONDENT

CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. 2001-833

TO Unknown Putative Father, who is not to be found in the State of Mississippi or diligent inquiry and whose identity and post office address are not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made a Respondent in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Human Services by ZADIE ROGERS, Social Services Regional Director, and FRANCES LUCILE CALIX and WESLEY A. CALIX, minors seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Hancock County Department of Human Services.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:30 O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 17TH DAY OF JULY 2002 IN THE COURTROOM OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY CHANCERY COURTHOUSE AT BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court this 29th day of April, 2002. (SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI 39521 BY Larriell Scarborough Deputy Clerk

M. Earl Scales  
Special Assistant Attorney General  
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05/15/05/12/05/19/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF EMILE P. LARROUX, DECEASED

NO. 2002-278

EXECUTORS' NOTICE TO CREDITORS

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, HANCOCK COUNTY

Letters Testamentary having been granted on the 23rd day of April, 2002, by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, to the undersigned Co-Executors on the estate of Emile P. Larroux, deceased, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against said estate to present the same to the Clerk of this Court for probate and registration according to the law within ninety (90) days from the date of the first publication of this notice or they will be forever barred.

THIS 3rd day of April, 2002.

DOROTHY KERSANAC  
MICHAEL ANTHONY KERSANAC  
Co-Executors  
04/28/05/05/05/12/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

HANCOCK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, BY ZADIE ROGERS, SOCIAL SERVICES REGIONAL DIRECTOR, AND O.C. A., R.J., S.J., MINORS, BY AND THROUGH THEIR NEXT FRIEND, ZADIE ROGERS PETITIONERS

VS. MARONA JOHNSON, ANDRE DANIELS, DARREN SCOTT, RODNEY SMITH RESPONDENTS

CIVIL ACTION, FILE NO. 2002-28

CHANCERY COURT SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

TO Marona Johnson, Darren Scott and Rodney Smith, who are not to be found in the State of Mississippi or diligent inquiry and whose post office addresses are not known to the Petitioners after diligent inquiry made by said Petitioners.

You have been made Respondents in the suit filed in this Court by the Hancock County Department of Human Services by ZADIE ROGERS, Social Services Regional Director, and O.C. A., R.J., S.J., minors, seeking to terminate your parental rights as those rights relate to said minors and demanding that the full custody, control and authority to act on behalf of said minors be placed with the Hancock County Department of Human Services.

YOU ARE SUMMONED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND AGAINST THE PETITION FILED AGAINST YOU IN THIS ACTION AT 9:00 O'CLOCK A.M. ON THE 16TH DAY OF JULY 2002 IN THE COURTROOM OF THE HANCOCK COUNTY CHANCERY COURTHOUSE AT BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI, AND IN CASE OF YOUR FAILURE TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, A JUDGMENT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE PETITION.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading, but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED under my hand and seal of said Court, this 29th day of April, 2002. (SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR, CHANCERY CLERK HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI BAY ST. LOUIS, MISSISSIPPI 39520 BY Larriell Scarborough Deputy Clerk

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by Nur-Jat Storage to the following person: Curtis Fouquiquen, Kitchell Unit #4. That on the 25th of May, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. at 10080 Highway 603, Bay St. Louis, MS, the goods in your unit will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, in order to satisfy your storage lien set forth by Mississippi Law. This 29th day of April, 2002.

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## Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM, DECEASED

GLORIA J. WARREN, PETITIONER VS. HEIRS AT LAW OF MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM, DECEASED

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2002-307

SUMMONS

TO THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM, DECEASED who are believed to be non-residents of the State of Mississippi, whose names and addresses, both post office and street addresses, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by GLORIA J. WARREN, seeking adjudication that SHAWN PATRICK KEENUM is the sole and only heir at law of MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 a.m. on the 12th day of June 2002 before the Honorable Carter O. Bise in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded by the Plaintiff.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND and the seal of said court, this 24th day of April, A.D., 2002. (Seal)

TIM A. KELLAR  
CHANCERY CLERK  
BY Erica Cantabati D.C.  
04/28/05/05/05/12/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE HEIRSHIP OF ANTHONY FRANK ESCANDELL, DECEASED

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2002-314

RULE 61 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

TO ANY UNKNOWN HEIRS AT LAW OF ANTHONY FRANK ESCANDELL, DECEASED

AND/OR ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO HIS ESTATE, who are not to be found upon diligent search and inquiry, and that the Post Office addresses of any such unknown heirs and/or other interested parties are also unknown to the Plaintiff herein after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made Defendants in the suit filed in this Court by VINCENT A. ESCANDELL, for full and final determination of heirship of ANTHONY FRANK ESCANDELL, deceased. Defendant other than you in this action are None.

You are required to appear and defend against the Complaint or Petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 o'clock a.m. on the 18th day of June 2002 in the Courtroom of the Hancock County Chancery Courthouse located in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi before the Honorable Carter O. Bise, Chancery Clerk, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you and the Plaintiff for the things demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

Issued under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 29th day of April, A.D., 2002. (SEAL)

TIMOTHY KELLAR  
CHANCERY CLERK OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI  
BY LARRINELL SCARBOROUGH D.C.  
05/05/05/12/05/19/02

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HANCOCK

SUBSTITUTED TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2000, David Hall and Bettelie Hall dba David & Bettelie Hall Inv. executed a Deed of Trust to David Nease, Trustee, to secure an indebtedness therein mentioned to Kathleen C. Gibbons, which Deed of Trust is recorded in Deed of Trust Book 585 page 614 in the office of the Chancery Clerk of Hancock County, State of Mississippi; and

WHEREAS, the legal holder of the said Deed of Trust and the note secured thereby substituted Gerald C. Gax, as Trustee therein, as authorized by the terms thereof, by instrument recorded in the office of the aforesaid Chancery Clerk in Book 687 Page 757 thereof; and

WHEREAS, default having been made in the performance of the conditions and stipulations as set forth by said Deed of Trust, and having been requested by the legal holder of the indebtedness secured and described by said Deed of Trust to do, notice is hereby given that I, Gerald C. Gax, Substituted Trustee by virtue of the authority conferred upon me in said Deed of Trust will offer for sale and convey title to said foreclosed property to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, an Officer of the United States of America or the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, an Officer of the United States of America, or whoever the undersigned shall authorize. The statement in the Substituted Trustee's Deed that the undersigned has requested transfer of its bid to grantees (s) in the Substituted Trustee's Deed shall be binding on the undersigned and conclusive evidence in favor of the assignee or other parties thereto and that the Substituted Trustee is duly authorized and empowered to execute same.

Title to the above described property is believed to be good, but I will convey only such title as is vested in me as Substituted Trustee.

WITNESS MY SIGNATURE, this 23rd day of April, 2002.

Gerald C. Gax  
Attorney At Law  
700 Highway 90, Suite D  
Waveland, MS 39576  
228-467-5880  
MS Bar No. 4805  
04/28/05/05/05/12/05/19/02

Gerald C. Gax  
Substituted Trustee

## Public Notices

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

LOLA M. KOLSTAD PLAINTIFF

VERSUS

OLEN LLOYD ANDERSON, KATHERINE NECAISE AKA KATHERINE HAAS, GARY D. NECAISE AND ANY AND ALL OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES DEFENDANTS

CAUSE NO. 2002-320

PUBLICATION SUMMONS

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

TO (E) Olen Lloyd Anderson, who is an adult resident of Hancock County, Mississippi, and whose place of business is located at 10608 Highway 90, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520, and whose mailing address is P.O. Box 1581, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39521, 581.

(F) Katherine Neacise aka Katherine Haas, who is an adult resident of Hancock County, Mississippi, and whose address is 16276 Highway 603, Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571, 1.

(G) Gary D. Neacise, who is an adult resident of Hancock County, Mississippi, and whose address is 16276 Highway 603, Pass Christian, Mississippi 39571, 1.

(H) Any and all other persons having or claiming any right, title or interest in and to the hereinabove described property.

You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by Lola M. Kolstad, Complainant, whose address is 1192 Oak Drive, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520.

The Complaint filed against you has intimated a civil action to quiet title to the following real property and to remove cloud on the title to the following described property to wit:

A parcel of land situated in the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 30, Township 7 South, Range 15 West, Section 30, Township 7 South, Range 15 West, Thence South 25 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds East 327.1 feet to a point, thence South 32 degrees 45 minutes 00 seconds East 327.1 feet to an iron rod, thence South 13 degrees 00 minutes 00 seconds East 164.70 feet to an iron rod, thence along the East margin of Highway 603, being the Point of Beginning, thence South 18 degrees 31' feet to an iron rod, thence South 33 degrees 00' feet 60 minutes West 164.70 feet to an iron rod, thence along the East margin of Highway 603, being the Point of Beginning, along a curve of said East margin of Highway 603, being concave to the Southeast having an arc length of 99.58 feet and a radius of 1382.39 feet, the Point of Beginning, containing 0.17 acres of land more or less.

You are required to file with the Clerk of this Court a written answer, either admitting or denying each allegation of the Complaint, and in addition a copy of your written answer should be either mailed or hand delivered to Brian B. Alexander, Complainant's attorney, whose address is 142 Main Street, Bay St. Louis, Mississippi 39520.

YOUR ANSWER MUST BE FILED NOT LATER THAN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE 5th DAY OF May, 2002, WHICH IS THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS SUMMONS. IF YOUR ANSWER IS NOT MAILED OR DELIVERED, A JUDGMENT BY DEED WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE MONEY OR OTHER RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT.

WITNESS my signature and official seal this 1st day of May 2002. (SEAL)

TIMOTHY A. KELLAR  
CHANCERY CLERK BY PAMELA CUEVAS  
05/05/05/12/05/19/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM, DECEASED

GLORIA J. WARREN, PETITIONER VS. HEIRS AT LAW OF MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM, DECEASED

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2002-307

SUMMONS

TO THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM, DECEASED who are believed to be non-residents of the State of Mississippi, whose names and addresses, both post office and street addresses, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by GLORIA J. WARREN, seeking adjudication that SHAWN PATRICK KEENUM is the sole and only heir at law of MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 a.m. on the 12th day of June 2002 before the Honorable Carter O. Bise in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded by the Plaintiff.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND and the seal of said court, this 24th day of April, A.D., 2002. (Seal)

TIM A. KELLAR  
CHANCERY CLERK  
BY Erica Cantabati D.C.  
04/28/05/05/05/12/02

IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

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GLORIA J. WARREN, PETITIONER VS. HEIRS AT LAW OF MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM, DECEASED

CIVIL ACTION NO. 2002-307

SUMMONS

TO THE HEIRS AT LAW OF MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM, DECEASED who are believed to be non-residents of the State of Mississippi, whose names and addresses, both post office and street addresses, are unknown after diligent search and inquiry.

You have been made Defendants in the lawsuit filed in this Court by GLORIA J. WARREN, seeking adjudication that SHAWN PATRICK KEENUM is the sole and only heir at law of MICHAEL CHARLES KEENUM deceased.

You are summoned to appear and defend against said petition filed against you in this action at 9:30 a.m. on the 12th day of June 2002 before the Honorable Carter O. Bise in the courtroom of the Hancock County Courthouse at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi, and in case of your failure to appear and defend a judgment will be entered against you for the money or other things demanded by the Plaintiff.

You are not required to file an answer or other pleading but you may do so if you desire. ISSUED UNDER MY HAND and the seal of said court, this 24th day of April, A.D., 2002. (Seal)

TIM A. KELLAR  
CHANCERY CLERK  
BY Erica Cantabati D.C.  
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IN THE CHANCERY COURT OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

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# Entertainment

## Celebrity Chefs Celtic Fest celebrates Cinco de Mayo

### SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Today, Sunday, May 5. Our Lady Academy and Bay Catholic Elementary School will host the 4th annual Celebrity Chefs Celtic Fest, 3-8:30 p.m. in Our Lady of the Gulf Parish Community Center, 228 South Beach Blvd., Bay St. Louis.

Taking place on Cinco de Mayo, this year's fiesta will certainly have a bit of Mexican flair.

At least 17 chefs from some of the finest local restaurants will again compete for two top culinary awards ... a People's Choice Award and a Critics' Choice Award.

Last year's recipients of both these top awards were Chefs Victor Pickich and Thomas Genin of Annie's Restaurant & Lounge.

In addition, there will be a tremendous array of items

and services auctioned off. Entertainment will include the jazzy sounds of Ronnie Kole, some 'sipiania soul' from The Pat Murphy Band, and a special appearance by Rev. Chris Munsch.

"Prepare yourselves to be awed the cuisine, delighted by the silent and live auction, and thrilled by the entertainment. Come see who will be on hand this year to auction off their jobs

for a day.

More than 200 goods and services will be auctioned. There will be something for everyone ranging in value from \$15 to priceless," said spokesperson Debbie Vernon. Some of the items include: beach get-aways; an aerial sight-seeing adventure for two; artwork by several famous local artists; fresh flowers for a year; fine jewelry; days of

beauty; gourmet progressive dinners by limo; antiques, collectibles, furniture, student-made items from OLA and BCE which are an absolute "must-see", golf packages; sporting event tickets; Brett Favre autographed football; Sea Wolves autographed hockey sticks and helmet, a Viking refrigerated wine storage unit, Dr. Ledoux orthodontic treatment valued at

\$4,000 and much more. There will also be a \$1,000 raffle, \$1 per chance or \$10 for 12 chances.

The average admission price is \$25, which includes dinner, one cocktail and entertainment. Sponsorship levels are available. For more information, contact Debbie Vernon sit 228/467-7048 ext. 16 or 228/493-5923.

## Beau Rivage welcomes 'Stomp'

### SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

STOMP, the international percussion sensation will spend its summer at the Beau Rivage Theatre May 14-Sept. 2.

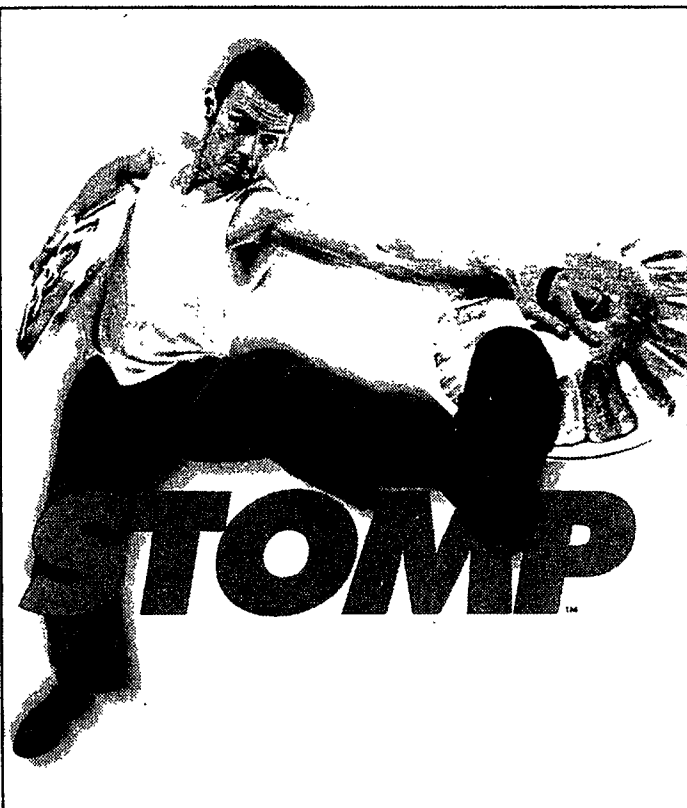
The show's young and hip performers "make a rhythm out of anything we can get our hands on that makes a sound," says co-founder/director Luke Cresswell.

Synchronized stiff-bristle brooms become a sweeping orchestra; eight Zippo lighters flip open and closed to create a fiery fugue; wooden poles thump and clack in a rhythmic explosion.

STOMP uses everything but conventional percussion instruments - dustbins, tea chests, plastic bags, plungers, boots, hub caps - to fill the stage with one of the most compelling acts to arrive on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. STOMP's appeal is universal; it attracts an audience ranging from "kids to grannies to bank managers," according to Cresswell.

STOMP continues its phenomenal run at New York's Orpheum Theatre, now in its eighth year, and at San Francisco's Marines Memorial Theatre for an open-ended run. STOMP's international engagements have included appearances at London's Royal Festival Hall, The Acropolis in Athens and limited engagements in Asia and South America.

STOMP has been an overwhelming success marked by rave reviews, numerous awards, celebrated appearances on the 1996 Oscar telecast and 1998 Emmy telecast, an



Academy Award nomination for the short film Brooms by STOMP co-creators/directors Luke Cresswell and Steve McNicholas, an Emmy Award for their 45-minute HBO special STOMP Out Loud, TV appearances ranging from "The Late Show with David Letterman" to "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," five international touring companies, and a series of award-winning national commercials. The eight-member percussion groups have caused a roaring sensation at every one of its appearances.

STOMP has made its unique presence known outside its live stage show - on a cut on Quincy Jones' CD "Q's Jook Joint" (for which they received a Grammy nomination), the well-received soundtrack

for the film Tank Girl. Cresswell and McNicholas scored the ShowTime film Riot, which aired in April 1997, and created HBO's STOMP Out Loud, winner of a 1998 Emmy Award. Most recently, STOMP joined the Sesame Street Muppets in exploring the world of music and rhythm in an exclusive-to-video release of "Let's Make Music."

Tickets are \$29.95, \$24.95 and \$19.95 plus tax. Call 228-386-7777 or 888-566-7469 for show times and reservations. STOMP room packages are available starting at \$59.00 per person. For more info, visit Beau Rivage's website at [www.beaurivage.com](http://www.beaurivage.com), or go to [www.stomponline.com](http://www.stomponline.com).

## New birds have landed at the Jackson Zoo

Bring your entire flock to the Jackson Zoological Park. The zoo announces the arrival of its two newest residents, a pair of Lady Ross's Turacos and four Ostrich. The birds are currently on display in two different exhibits inside the zoo.

The Lady Ross's Turaco is a very colorful bird that will astound visitors. Turacos are typically found in pairs or small family groups and originate from Africa in the forested regions of Congo, Kenya, and Zambia.

The pair is currently on loan from the Houston and Nashville zoos. They eat fruits and vegetables and may take insects during the nesting and rearing season.

Unlike most birds, turacos have pigments in their feathers which give them their brilliant color. Visitors can view them now in the African Rain Forest area of the zoo.

Other newcomers can be viewed in the hoofed stock area of the zoo. The ostrich, the largest living bird found in the world, can grow to heights of 8 feet and weigh up to 345 pounds.

These birds occur in small flocks typically with one dominant female and breeding male. The birds are indeed a great addition to the zoo and will excite the young and old with their

enormous size.

The four birds were recently donated to the zoo and will be future residents of the African Savannah exhibit that is scheduled to open in 2004.

The Jackson Zoo is open daily from 9 - 5 p.m. For information call (601) 352-2581.

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## Randy Travis comes to Magic

### SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Tickets are on sale now for the Randy Travis concert at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis.

Travis will perform live at the entertainment complex Friday, May 24 at 9

p.m. Tickets start at \$39.95 and can be purchased at the Casino Magic Gift Shop, by calling 1-800-5-MAGIC-5, or through any Ticketmaster location.

Travis, a country music icon, is known for such number one hits as "Forever And Ever Amen," "Better Class Of Losers," and "On the Other Hand," distance of The Bridges, an 18-hole championship golf course designed by Arnold Palmer.

For reservations, call 1-800-5-MAGIC-5. Hotel opens May 27.

**Entertainment in the Entertainment Complex:**  
May 10  
The Four Tops 9 p.m.  
\$14.95, \$19.95 and \$24.95

May 24  
Randy Travis 9 p.m.  
Tickets start at \$39.95  
May 31 and June 1  
Frank Sinatra, Jr. 9 p.m.  
Tickets start at \$19.95

## Arts and Creative Crafts Show at Diamondhead

The 19th annual Arts and Creative Crafts Show at Diamondhead will be Saturday, Sept. 28 from 9:30 a.m. till 5 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 29 from 11 a.m. till 4 p.m. on the County Club Circle and grounds.

Diamondhead Country Club will provide sandwiches and drinks at an outside concession.

All proceeds from booth space fees are donated equally to Diamondhead Youth Organization, and the Diamondhead Community Association Continuing Education, non-profit organizations.

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